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MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WILL BE HELD TONIGHT

A board of directors for the year 1915 will be elected by the Chamber of Commerce at the annual membership meeting tonight. The meeting will be held in the Elks Hall and after the business session refreshments of sandwiches and coffee will be served.

The committee appointed some time ago to make nominations for the board is said to be ready to make its report. It is reported that they have agreed upon a number of new members to the board. Acting Secretary Thomas will also submit his report.

All who have pledged to support the Chamber of Commerce during the year and all others who are interested in the prosperity of the city are invited to attend tonight's meeting. It will start at 7:30 o'clock.

There will be no set program but it is expected that short talks will be made by citizens. Plans for the meeting were discussed at the last meeting of the old board this morning.

REBELS BEATEN AT PUEBLA; CARRANCISTAS TAKE CITY

THINK MEXICO CITY IS NOW OBJECTIVE

WASHINGTON GETS DETAILS OF TUESDAY'S BATTLE AT PUEBLA

FAMOUS CATHEDRAL DAMAGED

Discovered It Was Being Used By Defenders—Bayonet Fighting In Streets of City

By Associated Press

Washington Jan 6—Details of the battle of Puebla supplementing the news dispatches of last night of Vera Cruz were given today in dispatches dated January 5 to the Carranza agency here

General Obregon is in complete control of the city and its environs said the dispatches forty field pieces were used in the shelling The withering fire soon made the defenders abandon their most strongly fortified positions The cavalry charged the defenders corralling them in the center of the city The entire garrison was were made prisoners Shells almost destroyed the cathedral of Guadalupe one of the most beautiful in all Mexico

The reactionaries were quartered in the edifice under a Red Cross flag which was respected until it was learned that soldiers were pouring a heavy machine gun fire from the roof and upper towers Many other prominent buildings were razed by the artillery fire Dead and wounded filled the streets when the Carranza troops entered the city and the number was greatly augmented by sharp street fighting

Rebel Losses Heavy.

"The fighters in many instances came to bayonet points It is believed the rebels lost several thousand in killed and wounded Five thousand or more were taken prisoners with all munitions ,arms and provisions It is believed Mexico City is the next objective

"General Obregon today wired he would be attacking the capital before the expiration of thirty days The loss of Puebla hopelessly cripples the rebels, all artillery being gone and their communication cut

GENERAL ANGELES REPORTED CAPTURED

VILLA OFFICER SAID TO BE AMONG PRISONERS AT PUEBLA

REBELS ATTACKED AT HIPOLITA

Are Said To Be Forced Back By Carranza Troops Under General Vasquez

By Associated Press

Naco Ariz Jan 6—General Felipe Angeles Villa's chief subordinate and said to be his choice for provisional president of Mexico was captured yesterday wheff General Alvaro Obregon drove the Villa Zapata forces out of Puebla, according to messages from Vera Cruz received today by General Hill, commanding the Carranza garrison at Naco

The reported capture caused much rejoicing among Carranza soldiers He is in command of the army defeated by Obregon

REPORT ABOUT ANGELES IS NOT YET CREDITED

By Associated Press

Washington, Jan 6 Dispatches to the Carranza agency today and from other sources of Mexico made no mention of the reported capture of General Angeles The general reported himself to the Gutierrez government within the last few days first in Torreon and later in Mexico City The Gutierrez agency declares none of Zapata troops were at Puebla

SAYS OTHER VILLA FORCE IS BEING DRIVEN BACK

By Associated Press.

Vera Cruz Jan 6—While General Alvarra Obregon commanding the Carranza forces is driving the troops of Villa and Zapata from the city of Puebla a still larger force at Hipolito to the north under the personal command of General Villa and Angeles is being pushed back by General Vasquez according to a statement given out today at General Carranza's headquarters here Hipolito is northwest of Saltillo on the railroad line to Torreon

EUROPE STILL BUYING HORSES AT FORT WORTH

Special to The Times

Fort Worth Texas Jan 6—Agents of the French and English governments are still buying large numbers of horses in this city and at other Texas points for shipment to the European zone and Texas horse dealers are doing a tremendous business several hundred horses are being shipped from here weekly This business being less active in this line than it was earlier in the war

BARRICADED IN COTTAGE, FREEBOOTER IS DEFIANT

Resists Efforts of Officers To Capture Him and Threatens To Kill Them

By Associated Press

Rockford, Ill Jan 6—Barricaded in a summer cottage on a small island in the Rock River near Oregon an alleged free booter today defied efforts of officers to dislodge him The man is believed to be Joseph Boyer described as an ex convict He is said to be armed and to have threatened to kill before he is captured

FRENCH BOMBARD VILLAGES TO REAR

GERMAN REPORT DECLARES THEIR OWN COUNTRYMEN SUFFER MOST

HARD FIGHTING AT SENNHEIM

French Said To Have Been Repulsed—No Change In Eastern Situation Mentioned

By Associated Press

Berlin, Jan 6—The German military authorities today gave out a statement on the progress of the war as follows

In the western arena of the war the French continued yesterday their systematic bombardment of villages situated behind our front They seem indifferent to the killing of their own countrymen and to the destruction of French homes In any event this bombardment causes us very little trouble we captured several of the enemy's trenches and made prisoners of two officers and 200 men

The French again obtained a foothold early yesterday on the much fought for heights west of Sennheim (Cernay) in upper Alsace, but they were again driven off after a strong bayonet attack They have not dared to attempt further advances Fifty Alpine Chasseurs were taken prisoners by us

In the eastern arena of the war there were no changes yesterday on our eastern frontier or in northern Poland In Poland, west of the Vistula, our troops penetrated as far as the branch of the Sucha river after having captured several of the enemy's points of support, 1400 prisoners and nine machine guns were left in our hands The situation on the eastern bank of the River Pilica remains unchanged

ANTI-TRUST SUIT ON TRIAL AT GROESBECK

By Associated Press

Groesbeck Texas Jan 6—The suit by the State of Texas against the Crane Company whose headquarters in Texas are located at Dallas, was to begin in the Thirteenth district court here Tuesday The state seeks penalties against the company for alleged violation of anti trust laws Judge H H Sweeton of Austin has charge of the prosecution The State's appeal in the Crane Company injunction suit is to be submitted to the supreme court January 10 by the attorney generals department according to information received here This is the case in which the United States district court at Fort Worth held the franchise tax law unconstitutional and granted an injunction restraining state officials from enforcing collection against the company

CABINET CONSIDERS MILITARY MATTERS

HOLDS CONFERENCE BUT NONE OF DETAILS ARE MADE PUBLIC

INCREASES BELIEVED LIKELY

Probable That Effort at Raising of Standards Will Be Made In Congress

By Associated Press

Washington Jan 6—Members of the cabinet and leaders in Congress were reticent today concerning details of the conference at Secretary Garrison's home last night in which they participated in a discussion of the military preparedness of the United States

While all those present had been enjoined to refrain from discussing what transpired at the conference it was declared no definite conclusion had been reached

A participant declared that while no definite plans had been agreed up on those present were unanimous that every possible effort should be exerted in Congress to bring the army and navy up to the highest standard of efficiency that could be produced with the resources available

WHEAT MARKET DECLINES FOR FIRST TIME THIS YEAR

Caution of Buyers, Following Recent Radical Advance Is Taken as Cause

By Associated Press

Chicago, Jan 6 For the first time in 1915 the wheat market today started at a decline as compared with the previous night Opening quotations were down 7 8 and 3 4 to 1 5 8 and 1 3 4 The reaction was attributed largely to a disposition among leading trades to exercise decided precaution in basing on such a radical advance as had been witnessed during the past week

200 HURT IN SUBWAY FIRE

ACCIDENT ON TRAIN CAUSES ONE DEATH AND MANY ARE INJURED

SYSTEM IS TIED UP

May Not Resume For Several Days—Passengers Rescued Through Manholes

By Associated Press

New York, Jan. 6.—New York's subway was visited by fire and panic today which sent some 200 persons to hospitals, caused the death of one woman and demoralized the transportation system of the city. The fire was said to have been due to an electrical explosion in a conduit between 50th and 59th street stations.

The noise, flame and smoke terrified the 700 or more passengers of the two downtown trains stalled nearby and in their efforts to escape scores were badly burned, many were knocked unconscious and still others were overcome by smoke.

The subway service, according to Commissioner Maxwell of the public service commission may be tied up several days If this proves true it will mean that more than a million persons a day carried by subway trains will be diverted to the surface and elevated systems and cause a congestion without parallel in the history of the city

At first it was thought there had been a terrible catastrophe and reports reached police headquarters that at least a score had been killed The entire fire department and all the ambulances in the city together with the pulmotor squad were rushed to the scene.

Hear Screams For Help.

Smoke was pouring out of the subway entrances manholes and ventilators and screams for help could be heard It turned out however, that while the police and firemen had all they could do in bringing out the unconscious including a score or more of women who fainted, the early reports had been exaggerated It was more than three hours after the accident that the last passenger was rescued

During this time, in the streets nearby there was a continuous procession of ambulances and private automobiles removing the injured to various hospitals The accident was described by the police as the worst in the history of the subway The entire fire fighting force of Manhattan, every ambulance in the borough and every pulmotor that could be found were brought to the scene The fact that scores of persons were unconscious led to the early report that many had been killed

Starts During Tieup

Sixty persons were taken unconscious from the scene of the fire to the Flower Hospital, the Polyclinic Hospital received 200 Ventilator gratings were taken up from the sidewalks around the 50th and 59th street stations and many of the injured removed through the ventilator shafts

The fire broke out in a subway train which was on a long line of rush hour trains held up between the 50th and 59th street stations by an early accident in the power house which tied up the service

There were reports that there had been a collision but although some of the panic stricken passengers referred to a smash up the police had not definitely established such a report It was shortly before 9 30 o'clock when whiffs of smoke began to curl from the manholes along Broadway between the two stations The spot where the fire burned fiercest was opposite 56th street Hampered by their efforts to reach the blaze the firemen dug into the pavement with their axes

Dig Through Pavement.

They succeeded in making a hole above the subway at 53rd street From this opening belched smoke and flames Hose was passed through the opening and even hand extinguishers were used For ten blocks the streets were lined with ambulances that came from over the city A cordon of police was thrown to hold back the crowds of spectators

All manhole covers were removed as well as the ventilator gratings In the openings thus made firemen placed their hose, other squads of firemen crawled through the blinding smoke into the tube itself and worked in relays

REPULSE OF GERMAN ATTACKS IS CLAIMED

FRENCH REPORT TELLS OF VARIOUS MINOR GAINS MADE

ITALIAN VOLUNTEERS' WORK

Give Good Account of Themselves In Alsace Where French Retain Upper Hand

By Associated Press

Paris Jan 6 The official statement given out this afternoon in Paris by the war department reads as follows

The Belgian army delivered but without success two attacks in the regions of the dunes and the region northeast of St Georges On the west front to the north of Lys and from the Lys to the Oise there has been nothing except artillery fighting

In the valley of the Aisne and in the sector of Rheims our batteries gained the upper hand over those of the enemy reducing them to silence At a point northwest of Rheims it is reported that certain of our troops have made an advance of about 100 yards In the Argonne there developed a very spirited action which permitted us to retake 200 yards of trenches in the forest of Lagrurie at the same place where there was recently a slight giving away, as previously reported From Bagatteli and from Mountain Madame there were delivered two violent German attacks each of which was repulsed A complete German regiment was engaged in each action

We blew up by exploding a mine 800 yards of German trenches half of which we subsequently occupied From the Argonne to the Vosges the bad weather has continued There is fog and mud At different points along this front there have been fairly spirited artillery exchanges In the forest of Lepetre near Pont a Mousson we have continued to gain ground

Operations In Alsace.

In the region of Thann (upper Alsace) in spite of a violent cannonading we retained the gains achieved the night before at Steinbach as well as in the trenches in the southwest and to the northwest of this village The enemy succeeded in reoccupying one of our former trenches on the eastern flank of a nearby height, the summit of which however remains in our possession

It should be set forth that in the Argonne, near the ravine of Courte Chasse at the point where we blew up the German trenches, the attacking regiment commanded by Lieut Col Garibaldi delivered a vigorous attack against the breach made by the explosion The Italians captured 120 prisoners including twelve under-officers and took one machine gun and one caisson The chief adjutant of this regiment Constantine Garibaldi brother of Lieut Col Garibaldi was killed during the attack

EX-GOVERNOR OF KANSAS IS COMING IN FEBRUARY

Will Address Anti-Saloon Convention at Waco According To Announcement Today

By Associated Press

Dallas, Texas Jan 6—Dr J H Gambrell, state superintendent of the Anti Saloon League of Texas announced today that former Governor George H Hodges of Kansas will be one of the speakers at the state Anti-Saloon League convention in Waco February 9 and 10 Governor Hodges subject will be conditions in Kansas under prohibition as he personally knows them

LOCAL PRICE FOR WHEAT HIGHEST ON RECORD TODAY

Farmers Getting $1.25 Per Bushel—Futures Market Opens at Decline, However

When local dealers paid Wichita county farmers $1 25 a bushel for wheat here today they paid the highest price reached by that cereal in this county The previous high record was in the famous Leiter corner when for a few days some wheat sold probably as high as $1 10 or $1 15 a bushel Although near Chicago where dealers could have some hope of getting the grain into Chicago in a few days the price was higher than now dealers in this section of the country were afraid to make contracts at the high figures

The present rise has been steady and gradual and fortunately the farmers have been able to get the benefit of it The future market in Chicago opened lower this morning indicating that the advance in price will be checked temporarily at least

COTTON IS DAMAGED BY GALVESTON SHIP FIRE

By Associated Press.

Galveston Texas Jan 6—Fire which was discovered early today in the forepeak of the Italian steamship Monviso damaged 260 round bales of cotton and inflicted some injury to the ships The Monviso is loaded for Genoa

CRUSHING BLOW IS DEALT TURKS BY RUSSIAN ARMY

Double Victory Apparently Won In Caucasus Relieving Danger To Egypt

FRENCH CONTINUE TO GAIN IN UPPER ALSACE

Czar's Forces Believed To Be Preparing To Strike Heavy Blow In Hungarian Territory

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 6.—The crushing blow the Russians appear to have dealt the Turks in the Caucasus and the farther advance of the French in Alsace on the road to Muelhausen continue to hold the foreground in the war news today in the absence of any other important developments east or west.

It is felt in England that the renewed rout of the Turkish invaders of the Caucasus with the defeat of their plan to seize the Russian fortress of Kars gives the Ottoman forces such a setback that the much-discussed invasion of Egypt is now virtually out of the question. At the same time, the pressure on the Russians from the east has been so far relieved as to preclude any necessity of withdrawing Russian forces from the Polish and Galician fronts for service in the Caucasus.

Petrograd reports that the Turkish army defeated at Ardahan (40 miles northwest of Kars), which is distinct from the forces reported to have been crushed or captured at Sari Kamysh, was today completely surrounded and being harassed by Russian cavalry and "doomed to inevitable extermination." It was added that the Turks were fighting with great bravery and determination, but against hopeless odds as the roads along which they sought to retreat were blocked by deep snows. This is the defeat of a Turkish army corps which Grand Duke Nikolas referred to yesterday in his message to General Joffre, commander-in-chief of the French forces.

This dispatch announced also the capitulation of the entire ninth Turkish artillery corps at Sari Kamysh and the fact that such a communication has been exchanged between the allied leaders in the east and the leaders in west is taken in London to indicate that the Russian victory is netiher exaggerated nor premature.

There virtually has been no change west of Warsaw, but the British observers think Russia is giving indications of a plan to strike a heavy blow in Hungary.

With Bukowina occupied the time is ripe for an invasion of Transylvania, an eastern province of Hungary, bordering on Roumania. Nearly 3,000,000 of the population of this territory are of Bukowinan stock. According to a contention of the allies, these people may be expected to seize the opportunity to throw off the rule of Austria-Hungary and unite with Russia.

Roumania has abandoned her neutrality but a warning has gone out to her reservists to hold themeslves in readiness for service. Developments soon may be expected. The advance guard of Russians along the Roumanian frontier has been made up of men who speak the Roumanian language and have Roumanian sympathies. According to advices reaching London these soldiers everywhere are being received with friendliness. A dispatch from Paris state that developments of "the highest importance" are imminent in Roumania. A dozen French and British newspaper correspondents left Paris today for Roumania by way of Bulgaria.

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$4.00 Values at	$3.00
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According to the Anson Enterprise there were at least 20,000 bales of unpicked cotton in Jones county on January 1st and what is still better the recent rains have not seriously damaged the unpicked cotton. Doubtless there are several counties in the State with thousands of bales of unpicked cotton remaining in the field and so long as that is true there should be plenty of work for the unemployed in those counties.

Gov Elect Ferguson among the many other blessings he would like to see come to Texas in the year 1915 is that the stork shall visit more homes than for any previous, and to encourage the big bird in his work he offers a $10 prize for the first twins born in the year 1915 and a prize of $50 for the first triplets.

While there are 1,300,000 automobile owners in the United States there are only 377,508 people who have an income amounting to $2,700 per annum. Of these 81,982 reside in the city of New York. This information is gained from the Journal of Commerce and Finance and doubtless it got it from the record of those who paid an income tax last year. But mind you all persons who pay an income tax cannot afford automobiles. And it is furthermore evident that lots of people owning automobiles have in some way or other managed to escape the income tax collector.

Today's dispatches tell that business throughout the United States is taking on new life. Factories that have been closed for four months, or to be exact, since the European war started, are opening again furnishing work to thousands of unemployed. On the Chicago market May wheat was selling for $1.34 1-4 which is just 50c less than 1898 during the Leiter wheat corner deal when wheat advanced to $1.85 but it only stayed there a few days. Now it is different. The price had gone up steadily since the European war started and it looks like that the longer the war lasts the higher will the price of wheat and other foodstuffs go. There are good times ahead for the wheat farmer. There are also good times ahead for those who work in the factories. The year 1915 promises well for the United States, even if it did come in on Friday and will face the same kind of hoodoo in going out.

Statistics show that while the people of the United States are becoming more and more educated, crime is also on the increase more in proportion than education. They also show that among the criminals the proportion of persons of fairly good educational training is larger than ever before. Therefore one is almost forced to the conclusion that an education does not necessarily make a good moral citizen. The present congress will no doubt pass an immigration bill with the literacy test incorporated and it is thought President Wilson will not approve it. Foreigners coming to this country may or may not be educated but whether educated or not they should be required to reside in this country a sufficient number of years to give them a correct idea of how the American government is conducted before they are permitted to become citizens. Our own American born citizens are not permitted to vote or hold office until they are 21 years of age. There are thousands of American boys between the ages of .. to 20 years who are in training better qualified to cast an intelligent vote than those coming in from foreign countries and who under our present immigration laws are granted citizenship papers and are permitted to vote and hold office after only a very short residence in this country. There is as much .. ing as there is in education. Some of our best and most successful citizens can neither read or write. On the other hand some of the worst criminals are persons who are highly educated many of them being able to speak and write fluently several languages.

WHERE THE LAW IS INADEQUATE

(Baltimore Sun)

All that Justice Lamar has said in the Leo M. Frank case is that in his judgment there is probable cause for the appeal or in other words there are constitutional questions involved upon which Frank has the right to ask the supreme court of the United States to pass .. points finally in his favor and Frank should be released a question may rise it is said as to the power of the State to indict and try him a second time. That he should be put in jeopardy again after having been convicted on palpably insufficient evidence at the first trial and on the strength of popular sentiment rather than on the strength of the State's case would involve a certain hardship and injustice. And yet what Frank has been asking is not clemency but a fair trial not mercy but justice. And if an impartial judicial investigation could be secured, Frank himself might prefer a positive vindication to an escape which left a doubt in any mind. Whether such a trial could be obtained in view of the local feeling excited by the persistent efforts in Frank's behalf and in view of the prejudice engendered at the first trial may be regarded as doubtful and he could scarcely be blamed should he be set at liberty if he declined to submit voluntarily to another ordeal of the same kind.

The whole case, from its beginning has furnished illustrations of the inadequacy of the law under certain conditions.

COLQUITT'S POLITICAL DEMISE.

Little Oscar B Colquitt sitting in the
governor's swivel chair,
With his uneasy political conscience
and an idle hour to spare,
Bethinks himself there is some mischief his idle hands can do,
Before the final hour that he must bid
the State House adieu.

Little Oscar likes public applause he
loves the 'lime light'
But to remain longer in the public eye
he must begin to fight,
Must attack the reputation of a statesman be he living or dead,
Even risk the consequences of a blow
at the Nation's noble head.

I have all to gain and nothing much
to lose, said little Oscar C.,
If I would match the Culberson boom
and hive the senatorial bee,
So here goes for a chance shot at the
Honorable Woodrow Wilson,
If it misses the mark it will make Republicans sit up and listen.'

And for the time being I will feature
the top line newspaper column
Making my Democrat opponents mad
as blazes and wiseacres solemn
True I risk my political reputation
but prospects make me smile
For little Oscar Colquitt's name will
remain upon the newpaper file
—OBSERVER

Wichita Falls Texas.

COLQUITT'S RE-EXPLOSION.

On the eve of his retirement from office Governor Colquitt of Texas issues a statement in which he scathingly arraigns the administration of President Wilson branding it as the greatest failure of the day, the tariff law as a blow to the country, existing trust laws as 'fakes' and the foreign policy of the United States as imbecile.

This is the same Gov. Colquitt who did everything he could to involve this country in a war with Mexico and whose wild and flamboyant statements and actions so embarrassed the administration that its policy of watch right thinking men the world over, was seriously hampered. The contrast between the patient, intelligent course of the president in that crisis with the impatient, erratic unbalanced wild and wooly course of the governor of Texas, caused the latter to lose his self control. His latest effusion indicates that he has not yet found that self control without which no man can creditably administer a great office. He that ruleth his own spirit is greater than he that taketh a city saith Holy Writ, and this is not a bad answer to the folly of the governor of Texas.

It is a pity that the South should have to suffer from the intemperance of such men as Governor Colquitt. His statement appears in many papers all over the country and it will injure the credit of this section for many will believe what he says. It was not a manly thing to do, it did not require any courage to do it and Texas should be ashamed of her governor for having done it.

Let's all determine to make 1915 the banner year for building a greater Wichita Falls and the best way to do this is to become a paying and working member of our Chamber of Commerce. There is lots to be done but without organization little can be accomplished.

DO WE NEED A LARGER ARMY AND NAVY?

Over one half the world is at war today. Perhaps if America had a standing army of a quarter or half million fighting men and a navy three or four times as large as our present, we too might be at war with some other power. There is two ways of looking at this matter however. While there are few who think we are missing a lot by not being better prepared for war the great majority believe that being unprepared is really the greatest blessing that we can hope to enjoy. So far as we know there is no power that has the slightest idea of making war on us or taking any of our present possessions and as we want nothing more than we already have what's the use of taxing the people with something there is absolutely no use for—that of a larger navy and larger standing army? Wichita Falls Times.

That's what we say about increasing our army and navy. If they are increased then we are sure to get in a scrap with somebody just as sure as 2 and 2 are 4. What'd we want with a larger army and navy except for that? To protect our shores? Well yes, but don't you think that we will do it anyway. You can bet your last nickle that Your Uncle will take care of himself.—Abilene Reporter.

It is this paper's candid observation that most people who protest they are "neutral" in this European war affair have worked themselves up to the point where they don't care which of the allies shall be permitted to lick Germany.

Emperor William and King George have replied to Pope Benedict's suggestion that the warring powers exchange prisoners of war who are incapacitated for further fighting and both have agreed to comply with the suggestion. The other powers will likely make the same arrangement for exchange of prisoners.

Three years of war has brought a famine in many Mexican cities. That is just about what is going to happen in Europe, but it is not going to take three years to bring it about. The men who should be on their farms are forced to fight and the soil for the most part, lies idle and produces next to nothing. It may take something like a famine to bring that war to a close.

As yet England has not replied to the complaint of the American government regarding the interference on the part of England of American shipping interests. Doubtless she will be in no hurry about the matter. In the meantime, however, Germany wants some of our cotton bad enough to offer from 18c to 20c per pound for it, but it is impossible to send it to Germany. England, however, is getting all the American cotton she wants and at practically her own price. Usually the freight on a bale of cotton from an American port to Bremen is only about $1.50. Now it takes $18.75 to pay the ocean freight on a bale of cotton from Savannah Ga., to Bremen. From inland points the rail freight, together with insurance and ocean freight is agout $30 per bale. If our ships were permitted to traverse the seas the cotton producers of the South would today be receiving above 10c per pound for their cotton. Yet there are some people who can't understand why the price of cotton is below the cost of production.

A few days ago The Times editorially said that the Farmers Union at its last convention had refused to endorse Governor Elect Ferguson's farm tenant plank as advocated by him during the campaign, and as endorsed by the State convention at El Paso. It now appears The Times is mistaken. President W. D. Lewis of the Farmers' Union says the Farmers' Union, in its convention, took no action in the matter of Governor Elect Ferguson's platform in any way whatever, and that the editorial referred to does an injustice to the organization he represents. The Times is glad to make the correction. It was lead into the error by an article that apeared in another newspaper.

FOR THE LOOKING GLASS.

Your brains are great.
Your blood is blue,
Your word is bond
Your heart is true,
A handsome chap
You bless the race
These things they say
Before your face

,wol era sklof rouY
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—McLandburgh Wilson in New York Sun.

THE PROGRESSIVE SPIRIT.

It is the intention of the Chamber of Commerce to raise about $2,000 per month during the year 1915 to be used for the purpose of bringing to Wichita Falls more people more capital and more manufacturing enterprises, and with this end in view soliciting committees have been appointed at a meeting of the directors held this morning whose duty it will be to call on every enterprising citizen of this city tomorrow for the express purpose of soliciting membership to the Chamber of Commerce together with the amounts such members will obligate themselves to pay each month towards the maintenance of the organization and after the list has been made up it will be published together with the amount each member agrees to contribute. To those of our citizens who have kept a close watch on the workings of our Chamber of Commerce there is not the least doubt but that without the efforts put forth by it during the past six or seven years Wichita Falls would now be in the class of villages and towns or with only about one half her present population and wealth.—Wichita Falls Times.

It is just such a spirit as this that builds cities. And this brings us back to where we were several months ago. What would a town or city village hamlet, burg or any other place where people live be without a newspaper that was a continual booster? And again what would the aforementioned places be without an enterprising and pushing commercial club or chamber of commerce? It takes everybody pulling together all the time to build a city.—Abilene Reporter.

The government rain gauge shows that a little more than 25 inches of rain fell in Wichita Falls during the year 1914 which is about four inches above the average for this section of country during the past 20 years. There is now a splendid season in the ground and wheat crops are looking fully as good as they were last year at this time. Those who have the reputation of making pretty good estimates say the acreage planted to wheat in Wichita county this year is right around 7,000 acres. If the yield is to be as good as last year it will mean more than one million bushels of wheat for Wichita county in 1915.

COLQUITT AND THE EL PASO PLATFORM

In jumping on President Wilson and the National administration Governor Colquitt gets entirely on the El Paso Democratic platform, in the writing of which he played an important part. That document declares:

"We cordially and heartily endorse the National Democratic administration and congratulate the people of the United States upon the patriotic fidelity with which the administration has kept faith with the people and has passed into living laws promises made by our party in its national platform at Baltimore. We believe that having so thoroughly and persistently kept the faith, that administration is entitled to and will receive the endorsement, support and assistance of all Democrats, and these we gratefully pledge for all the Democrats of Texas."

Governor Colquitt participated in pre convention conferences of Mr. Ferguson's friends, at which this platform was drafted.

He was a delegate to the El Paso convention that adopted it.

He was an influential factor in that convention and could have been heard at any time he desired to speak.

He heard the convention endorse the president and his administration and "gratefully pledge all the Democrats of Texas" to the support and endorsement of the National administration.

He did not exempt himself from the list of those pledged by his party.

At the time that endorsement was given the tariff law and the federal reserve law had been enacted, the Mexican policy of the administration had been developed and its foreign policy was well known.

The governor heard all these endorsed and 'sat mute.' It, indeed, he did not give affirmative assent.

Four and a half months after all these things happened the governor circulated Texas and Northern papers and press associations with a bitter denunciation of the administration and the things it had accomplished.

Why did not the governor turn loose his wrath against the president at El Paso?

Why did he wait four and one half months?

The date of the next senatorial election is four and one-half months nearer now than it was when the El Paso convention met, do we hear some one say?

You guesed right the first time.—Waco Morning News.

THE MEASURE OF DAMAGES.

A court in affirming a judgment for damages in the sum of $25,000 in favor of a station agent against the Canadian Pacific Railroad for false arrest announced the following rule for measuring the damages:

"Can it be said that the mental distress of an intelligent industrious honest man, earning $1,200 per annum is to be measured by a standard different from what would apply to a man of larger earning capacity? Indeed if there were to be distinction in such respects in cases of this character they would more likely be in favor of the humbler man because he would probably have much greater difficulty in overcoming the effects of prosecution than would a man of greater force and power.

"It is apparent that the court was correct in holding that if any distinction should be made in the amount awarded, as between a rich man and an humbler one, it should be in favor of the latter. That the man who has an abundance of wealth is never so seriously handicapped by anything which reflects upon his personal reputation as is his less fortunate neighbor, is substantiated by common observation. This results from the circumstance that the wealthy man can not be impoverished by losing employment which provides sustenance for himself and family as the result of injury to his reputation as also from the well known tendency of numerous persons in every community to overlook and forgive his transgressions and faults because he is financially independent of the opinions of his neighbors. There are in many persons the dormant attribute of the wolf which enjoys the sport of setting upon and devouring the weak and helpless of the species to cringe in pusillanimous cowardice in the presence of the strong."

The Louisville Courier Journal commenting upon the decision in question gives additional reasons supporting its soundness:

"A $1,200 a year man could not have rehabilitated himself as easily as Chas. W. Morse, a banker who was sent to prison for dishonest dealing, and who secured his release by hiring high priced lawyers and procuring medical testimony of the usual sort to persuade the President of the United States that he was on his deathbed. No sooner did he get out of prison with the fact of his comparatively good health notorious and the stigma of his method of escape added to that which attached to his conviction then he returned to business and proceeded as if nothing had happened, in his role of money maker.

It is a hackneyed saying that a poor man has nothing but his reputation but truth is always old. The Shakesperean comparison between the poor man's purse and his reputation still stands as an example of fact crisply stated. But the rich man robbed of his reputation is not always left poor. He might in many instances reverse the terms of the Shakesperean assertion.

The case of Lorimer who was booted out of the United States Senate for accepting a bribe is another illustration of the fact that the destruction of the reputation of a prominent or wealthy man does not destroy his earning capacity or the confidence of people in his integrity or character as is shown by the singular circumstance that hundreds trusted him after his conviction of a heinous crime, with all the money they could hand into his bank. If Lorimer had been a poor man when he was kicked out of the senate those who turned their fortunes to him in Chicago so cheerfully would have ostracized, criticised and brow beaten him until they forced him to commit suicide or leave the country and under no circumstances would any of them trusted him for car fare or the price of a cup of coffee.

Strange of course but it can not be denied that human nature has many strange angles and that it's well known habit of frowning to the great and persecuting the humble until the grave closes on its victim is the strangest of them all.—Austin American.

Great Britain has lost another one of her splendid ships. The sad part about it was that about 700 of her crew went down with the ship. Cause—a submarine or mine.

In another column of today's Times will be found a list of members of the Chamber of Commerce. If your name or the name of your business house does not appear among the list, try to get it there just as soon as possible. Our Chamber of Commerce has done great things for Wichita Falls and with the hearty and loyal support given in 1915 it can be made to do as much as it ever has in one single year.

Local wheat was selling on the streets Saturday for $1.20 per bushel. That looks good to the wheat farmer who held his wheat. It also looks good to the wheat farmers in this section of the State who have growing wheat crops. The chances that the price will not be less than it now is, and there is a strong probability that it will go higher—to something like $1.50 per bushel.

Texas had just four representatives in congress who voted to submit to the vote of the states a prohibition amendment to the constitution and the congressman from this district wasn't one of the four.—Bonham News.

John H. Stephens was one of the four. It makes us feel prouder than ever of him though a man's fitness for office should not be based alone on how he stands on prohibition. There have been some candidates who have wormed their way into office by riding in on the pro question that should have been left at home. It is the same way with some who rode into office on the liquor question. As a result the districts they are supposed to represent have no representation and would be better off if they had not elected them.

It will not do to regard Mr. Culberson as devoid of aspiration to remain in the United States Senate. Those who hope to get his place are warned to get ready to measure strength with him in 1916. It is not probable that the Senator's recent utterance on the subject came as a surprise to rivals. It will be an interesting contest that of 1916—with Bailey, Brooks, Culberson, Colquitt and Henry (we have named them in alphabetical order) and possibly Thomas in the field for the toga.—Waco Tribune.

With five in the race Culberson will get a clean majority over all. He need only say the word and the Democrats of Texas will do the rest. Culberson has served Texas well and faithfully. The people want him to serve them right where he is as long as he will consent to do so. At least that is about the way 60 per cent of the people in this part of Texas feel about it.

Only one sixth of the men of legal age voted in Texas last November. This is a sorry commentary on patriotism and love of country. There are too many people who don't care or get too busy with their own affairs to go to the polls. These are the ones who have no right to knock about the way public affairs are conducted.—Sherman Democrat.

The chances are that if every man of legal age in the State had voted at the November election the results would not have been changed. The Democratic primary election was held in July at which election the people of Texas selected their nominees for public office—county and state. And at this election more than twice the number of votes were polled than at the November or general election though only Democrats were supposed to be at the primary election while all qualified voters had the right to vote at the November election.

A news item is authority for the statement that Russia has ceded to Japan one half of the Island of Sakhalin wherever that is in exchange for some large calibre guns. Now there may be a chance for Uncle Sam to unload the Philippines in the same way.

The Times extends to its readers patrons and friends its heartiest wishes for a happy New Year. May your resolutions today be of a high order and may you find both pleasure and profit in fulfilling them. And when you have taken stock whether of your goods and material things or of your other possessions may the result spur you on to make 1915 a bigger better year in every way for yourself for your community and for your nation.

An Austin dispatch says State School Superintendent W. F. Doughty at the request of members of the legislature is preparing a bill providing for a compulsory school attendance law to fit the varying needs of all the schools of Texas. During the year 1914, there were 166,000 children in Texas within the scholastic age who failed to attend any school. These figures are given by the records of the department of education for the State and those who were enrolled at some time during the 1913-14 term made an attendance record slightly less than 65 per cent. Perhaps if Texas had a compulsory educational law the cry of over production of cotton would not be so great. Doubtless one-fourth of the cotton raised in Texas is planted, cultivated and picked by children who ought to be in the school room instead of in the cotton patch. Such a law might mean a shorter cotton crop but it would also mean a better price for the cotton that is produced. Such a law is just about as good a scheme as this paper can think of that would result in the reduction of the cotton acreage in this State.

The Times wishes to call the attention of its readers to the articles furnished by the National Geographic Society which have appeared in this paper frequently since the war started. This society is giving interesting information about nations, scenes and cities involved in the European struggle, and it is well worth reading, and enables those who are following the war to keep thoroughly posted as to what is transpiring. The Times has sought in its small way, not only to keep its readers informed of every event in the war but to enable them to follow the story intelligently and studiously and in this it has been greatly helped by the society's articles. The National Geographic Society furnishes this information without charge—its purpose being the worthy one of instilling in the public mind a desire for more extensive geographic knowledge.

TAKING STOCK.

The following from the current issue of the Saturday Evening Post is pregnant with thought:

Belligerents are buying army supplies in this country at the rate of several million dollars a day but that is a temporary thing. Meantime they are steadily burning up the resources that normally would be used to buy our goods next year and the year after. There is a sort of trade on that it is every good American's first duty always to seize on any favorable fact he can and beat a loud tom tom with it to the tune of Boom! Boom! Boom!

We do not think the country cares much for that tune just now however. It strikes us as being in a notably sober frame of mind. The high nervous tension of last August has very decidedly relaxed. Business is improving and the outlook is brighter. There is no touch of panic no particular fear. We seem to feel quite snug and tight all round—and quite sober. We have settled down to a steady long strong pull. Business in the United States is seldom in equilibrium. It is either rushing up or tumbling.

It is doing neither now and there is probably a wide spread feeling that this is a good time for the United States to take stock of itself all round—cut out follies reduce wastes tighten up loose screws and get the machine in the best order we know how. Probably a great many of us have that sort of feeling about national activities in general. If a great many of us apply it to our own personal activities we shall get some important results.

President Wilson is to deliver an address at Indianapolis on next Friday at which time it is thought he will take occasion to make reply to some of his critics. Gov. Colquitt should be there by all means.

For the first time in forty years an American merchantman has landed at Bremen. The ship was the Elmonte and she sailed from Galveston on December .. with a cargo of 8000 bales of cotton arriving at Bremen on the first day of the New Year making her way through the mine fields to the amazement of the world, and to the admiration of all Americans. The captain of the boat was an American and he did not seem to think it a very dangerous matter to avoid running into a mine.

The Times is requested to state that every member of the Chamber of Commerce and those who expect to become members are invited to the smoker to be given by that organization at the Elks Club rooms tonight. There is a good time in store for all who accept the invitation.

There will be an effort made during the term of the next legislature to amend what is known as the suspended sentence law and it is said that among those who will urge that this law be amended will be some of the leading district judges of the State who have become disgusted with the working of the law in their respective courts. As the law now stands almost any first offender of the law barring murder and few of the higher crimes only takes about one chance in a hundred of receiving a greater punishment for his offense than that of a suspended sentence. The jury trying a case in nearly all instances want to just as light on the defendant as possible and therefore if the person being tried has never before been in court charged with an offense against the law it is rare that the jury will fail to recommend a suspended sentence and there is nothing for the court to do but follow the instructions of the jury. It is thought by some of the district judges that this suspended sentence law is being largely over worked and that it should be amended leaving it at the discretion of the trial court as to whether sentence should or should not be suspended.

HENRY FORD AHEAD OF HIS DAY

Henry Ford is ahead of his day. We are living in a day of 'greed and grab.' Henry Ford is dividing up the profits of his auto manufacturing establishment with several thousand men and all are making good. Even his floor sweepers are receiving five dollars a day. If one establishment can make good in a competitive age like this why can not all establishments make good in the same way? When a man or a woman is allowed to share in the profits of their brain and brawn they get down to business. If you are doubtful about this, ask Henry Ford. But suppose a man or a woman is continually reminded that they are necessary evils about the shop, what is the result? They begin to set schedules for themselves to get by on for they know if they pile up big dividends for the establishment the higher ups will only flaunt a bogus superiority in their faces and show them some fine results in elegant rolling stock and palaces. If 500 or 5,000 men and women work in an establishment and are ground down to the lowest possible wages it is not very encouraging to any of them to look out of the window and observe 'the boss' in a five thousand dollar auto while they have to listen to tales of 'hard times' on every pay day.

Henry Ford is setting an example which is to live in history. He is giving his employes a chance, and if all of these who expect to ride in Ford autos are not killed in the war now threatening to take in the whole world he will go down in history as the greatest man of the age. His employes are able to eat better food live in better homes and do better work than any employes of a similar plant anywhere in the world. Henry Ford is using the method of co-operation. What he is doing in a small way within the very near future will be put into working force by nations. What's the use of wasting time and labor? Why not co-operate as Ford is doing and give everybody a job at living wages? This is not socialism, it is common sense.—Cleburne Review.

PREPARE FOR WAR IS THE WAY TO CULTIVATE THE WAR SPIRIT

Over one half the world is at war today. Perhaps if America had a standing army of a quarter or a half million fighting men and a navy three or four times as large as our present, we too might be at war with some other power. There are two ways of looking at this matter however. While there are a few who think we are missing a lot by not being better prepared for war the great majority believe that being unprepared is really the greatest blessing that we can hope to enjoy. So far as we know there is no power that has the slightest idea of making war on us, or taking any of our present possessions and as we want nothing more than we already have what's the use of taxing the people with something there is absolutely no use for—that of a larger navy and larger standing army.—Wichita Times.

There are three classes of people who insist on a larger navy and army. Those who will profit by it by furnishing ships and guns and powder, those who make a study and a business of soldiering and those who want to make a conquest of land or commerce that does not belong to them. These three classes comprise a very small per cent of the population of this country and pay only a small per cent of the taxes. They want war and perhaps they can afford war, but the people who have to do the fighting and pay the taxes can't afford the preparations war demands. When these preparations are made you can safely depend on it that the occasion for war will be found. The best way in the world to avoid war is to let the war spirit die. By preparing a great army and a great navy we but cultivate the war spirit.—Bonham News.

Those who have figured it out claim or assert the United States can stop the European war in 60 days time by simply refusing to sell anything to the warring powers or to any power or persons that would turn it over to them. Such a step might make business bad for a time but if it could be accomplished in even a year's time it would be well worth the trouble and financial loss that it would bring upon this country.

The grain dealers are paying $1.25 per bushel for wagon wheat delivered at their elevators in Wichita Falls, and it is said that there are yet thousands of bushels in the granaries of wheat farmers in this section of the State. There is little danger of the price going below what it now is for the next year and that probably accounts for the little grain that is being marketed. The longer the wheat farmer can hold his wheat the better price he will receive for it.

Texas has a population in excess of 4,000,000 people, and during the past year it has cost $1.75 per capita to maintain the state government. That is not much but compared to the administration of Gov. Campbell it is very big, and it certainly cannot be claimed that Gov. Colquitt's administration has in any way been an improvement over that of ex-Gov. Campbell.

CHRISTMAS VACATION AT A & M COLLEGE ENDS

By Associated Press

College Station, Texas, Jan. 4.—Students of the Agricultural & Mechanical College returned to their college work today after the holiday recess. The school closed Dec. 19 to Jan. 4.

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BELGRADE SCENE OF MUCH FIGHTING

CAPITAL OF SERVIA IS MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND YEARS OLD

"LITTLE PARIS OF THE BALKANS"

Generation After Generation of Fighters—Has Been Outpost Between Opposing Forces

Washington Jan —The National Geographic Society today issued the following bulletin telling of the geography and history of Belgrade the capital from whence Europe's present great war took its beginning and a city that has probably borne more shocks at arms than any other in Europe

Belgrade, the Little Paris of the Balkans, and perhaps the most bombarded city of the present war has probably seen more battles fought under its walls and experienced the surge, shock and eddies of war more often than any other city in Europe Its whole story is one of conflicts of races, religions and governments

Belgrade has more than 2,000 years of history and has had some seventy generations of seldom idle warriors An important key to the Balkan lands on the north, a point dominating the traffic between the upper and lower Danube, at one time an outpost of Roman power, at another time considered the key to Hungary for five luckless centuries situated on the border land between Moslems and Christians, and now a Slavonian outpost, Belgrade never since its foundation has been able to feel any certainty about the morrow's peace

Found Before Christ's Time

The Servian capital was founded in the third century before Christ upon a triangular rocky promontory at the confluence of the Save and Danube rivers It lies opposite the Slavonian town of Semlin in Hungary Upon one side the Danube here about 2,300 feet wide divides it from Hungary while the Save 1,250 feet wide bounds another foot of the triangle The ground of the city is an unsymmetrical razorback sloping abruptly to the west and more gently to the east At the apex of this triangle is a chalky cliff 20 feet high which overlooks and guards both rivers

The Celts built the first fortifications on this strategic rock They called it Singidunum The Romans were the next possessors and they added to the city's strength The Roman empire fell to pieces and Belgrade became a battlefield for many races converging from every quarter of the compass Huns Sarmatians Goths and Gepids were in turn its masters from the fourth to the sixth century The Emperor Justinian brought it again under Roman rule fortified and improved it It was captured by Charlemagne's Frankish adventurers, overrun by Bulgars reconquered for Byzantium wrested from the Greeks by the Hungarians and then battledored with rapid changing fortunes of war among Greeks Bulgars Hungarians and Germans

In the fourteenth century the city was in the hands of Servian kings first and later was held by the Hungarians Then came the Turks They waged a number of unsuccessful campaigns against the city but finally it fell into their hands in 1521 a prize for the Sultan Suleiman It practically remained in the power of these masters until 186 bearing the brunt of every attack upon the Ottoman from the north and west

Between the sixteenth and nineteenth centuries the Servian capital was conquered a number of times and besieged often It however always found its way back to Turkey and although Servia practically became independent in the early part of the 19th century the Turkish garrison at Belgrade was not withdrawn until 1867

Thoroughly Modern City

Belgrade is the governmental and religious center the center of art and culture the financial commercial and foreign trade center of the Servian kingdom and it is the kernel of the Serbs national consciousness Since the withdrawal of the Turkish garrison it has blossomed out into a modern city with wide streets electric lights street cars and parks and other gay places of recreation It has earned its designation of little Paris of the Balkans for there is a deal of finery

The capital's houses are long stretches of white with more of garden and tree plantings around them than is usually found in a western city The population has grown rapidly since 1867 from 26,000 in 1884 to 90,000 in 1910 and is a typical Balkan city mixture composed of Servians Bulgars Greeks Turks Jews Hungarians and Germans The city has a number of handsome public buildings many large well appearing business structures numerous hotels a university and a national library with 60,000 volumes

Belgrade in latter years has been one of the most patriotic capitals under the sun It has seethed and bubbled and boiled with pride and hope for its country The Serbs have undertaken every effort aiming toward making their capital known respected and even admired abroad

WORDS FROM HOME

Statements That May Be Investigated Testimony of Wichita Falls Citizens.

When a Wichita Falls citizen comes to the front telling his friends and neighbors of his experience you can rely on his sincerity The statements of people residing in far away places do not command your confidence Home endorsement is the kind that backs Doan's Kidney Pills Such testimony is convincing Investigation proves it true Below is a statement of a Wichita Falls resident No stronger proof of merit can be had

Mrs G A Swope carpenter 612 Burnett Street Wichita Falls Texas says "I had pains across the small of my back and in my sides and trouble with the kidney secretions My ankles became swollen A few boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills cured me I seldom have occasion to use a kidney remedy now but when I do Doan's Kidney Pills always give fine results

Price 50c at all dealers Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Pills—the same that Mrs Swope had Foster Milburn Co, Props Buffalo, N Y

VEST'S SON TELLS A STORY

Humorous Reminiscence of the Famous Campaign of 1872 and Its Convention.

Alec Vest son of the late Senator Vest of Missouri is a raconteur almost as noted in his home state as was his famous father

"There used to be an old fellow John M Sneed who lived out in the country a short distance from Sedalia Mo, said Mr Vest at the Willard He was an old fashioned bourbon Democrat of the extremest type He really gloried in his partisanship and was the sort of man who in drawing his will adjured his sons to continue voting the Democratic ticket Captain Sneed —he had never risen above the rank of a captain—was intensely interested in 1872 in the result of the Democratic national convention which I think was held in Baltimore and nominated Horace Greeley It was in that year that the Beecher Tilton trial was held and the newspapers everywhere were filled with accounts of the proceedings In those days news of the election returns or the outcome of political conventions was not as easily obtainable as today Old Captain Sneed however would not go to bed on the night the balloting began at the Democratic convention until he got some word from Baltimore He seated himself on his front porch and waited for those who had been in town to come along He stopped everybody and asked what they knew about the Democratic nominees for president None could tell him anything until long about midnight a party of roysterers came up the road singing and shouting The captain asked if they had any news from the convention

"'Yes said one of the most jovial members of the party Beecher and Tilton were nominated

"The old man was aghast for a moment but he quickly recovered and said

"'Well they are both good men, it will make a strong ticket —Washington Post

BOWS TO JUDGMENT OF DOG

Writer Recognizes That Individuals of a Species Ought Thoroughly to Know Their Kind.

In the American Magazine Will Irwin writes a wonderful true dog story entitled Togo Mayor of Scituate" Togo is a remarkable dog in Scituate Mass,—so well known and liked that he is called the mayor of Scituate Togo's power is shown in the following passage

We perceived at last that Togo had constituted himself committee on admissions to Peggotty beach When ever a new dog appeared Togo took the matter under advisement for a time, while he decided whether the stranger might remain If he ruled adversely he thrashed that dog and continued to thrash him until he learned that he was not elected I am not saying but that Togo administers this office capriciously He has refused beach rights to individuals which seem to me ... that a dog should be, as well as to certain curs and treacherous examples of the species Still Togo may be right The judgment of a sapient dog on dogs of a woman or women—who am I that I should disagree?

Anticipating a Patriot.

An amusing story that illustrates the peremptory way in which affairs are conducted during a war crisis comes from England to the New York Telegram

A gentleman who lives in Southampton and who owns a speedy power boat wrote to the commander at Portsmouth offering his boat for the service of his country In reply he was considerably surprised to receive this letter

Your offer of power boat to his Majesty's government is received and has been noted It will not be necessary for you to make a formal transfer as the craft is already in use by his Majesty's naval forces

Difficulty has been experienced in getting some one who understands running her properly and you could render your country service by returning and operating her for his Majesty's navy

And the man was so much pleased at the way his craft had been commandeered that he volunteered and is now an assistant engineer ferrying naval officers about in the craft he used to own—and enjoying it

Story of Two Shoes

Billy Harking went to New York a day or so ago It was hot and he didn't sleep well, so along toward midnight he went out on the back platform for air And when he got there he found the porter using that back platform for a shoe shining parlor It was some time before day break says the Cleveland Plain Dealer

Just then a westbound train came along on the other track On the rear platform of that train was another shoe shining porter and he happened to be a friend of the porter on the eastbound Naturally Skinny's porter waved his hand unfortunately that hand had a shoe in it And the shoe slipped

'Billy Harking's porter turned pale (swears Billy Harking) but Billy was there with the soothing syrup Don't get scared he said that was my shoe Throw the other one after it And the porter grinned and did it

But it wasn't Billy Harking's shoe He hadn't even put his shoes in the aisle to get polished He wonders what happened in the morning though He had gotten to sleep by that time.

OKLAHOMA CONSIDERING STATE RANGER FORCE

Special to The Times

Oklahoma City Jan — A force of state mounted police similar to the Texas Rangers may be established in Oklahoma by the legislature which convened Tuesday Such state police have been employed in many states and their duties vary from the picturesque work of the Texas Ranger to preventing forest fires saving lives in coal mines and enforcing prohibition laws

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DECATUR RESIDENT DIES AT DAUGHTER'S HOME HERE

D F Davis Succumbs To Pneumonia While Visiting Relatives In This City

D F Davis age 72 died last night at the home of his daughter Mrs J J Waggoner 1 Eleventh street Mr Davis was here for a holiday visit with his daughters Mrs Waggoner and Mrs H A Fairchild and contracted ... which resulted fatally The deceased leaves four children two sons and two daughters ... this afternoon to Decatur for ...

Mr Davis had been a resident of Wise county since 18 settling there ... after the close of the war With the other pioneers of that county he was called out to help repel the raids of hostile Indians Many times he had hunted buffalo on the site of Wichita Falls

Mr Davis leaves a widow and four children Mrs J J Waggoner and Mrs H A Fairchild of this city N Davis of Decatur and R F Davis of El Paso After a short funeral service at the home of Mrs Waggoner this afternoon the body was taken to the Davis home at Decatur where it is expected to hold the funeral tomorrow morning The time of the funeral will depend upon the time of the arrival of the son R F Davis from El Paso

In the funeral party that went from here to Decatur with the body this afternoon were J J Waggoner and family Jeff Waggoner and family H A Fairchild and family N C Davis and the widow Mrs Davis

CUPID GETS HIS WORK IN AT A & M DURING HOLIDAYS

Special to The Times

College Station Texas Jan 6—Everyone connected with A & M College took a Christmas vacation but Dan Cupid as usual worked harder than ever during the Christmas season As a result the following weddings took place during the holidays

Col James L Hill commandant Corps of Cadets to Miss Aileen ... at El Paso Dec 1

Dr Thomas Kohler professor of economics to Miss Genevieve Mc... at Marlinton W Va Dec

S A M Milliam associate professor ... to Miss Carrie Looo at Houston Tex Dec 22

... Click instructor in English to Miss Robbie Seale at Benchley Texas Dec 3

... Morrison professor of high way engineering and E W Kazmeier of the poultry department and other benefits

Houston Texas Jan ... H M Mayo immigration and industrial agent of the Sunset Central lines believes that the inclusion of the literacy test in the general immigration bill will result in keeping many worthy settlers out of Texas Many of the most desirable immigrants who have come to this State in recent years he declares have been foreigners who would have been kept out of the country had the literacy test been in force

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PROMPT RECAPTURE EXPECTED

Filling of Prescription In Drug Store Gives Fugitive Opportunity to Make Getaway

From Sunday Daily

Sheriff George Hawkins who returned last night from his trip to Pennsylvania after Frank Rembert who escaped from him at St Louis says that he doesn't mind the joshing he is receiving from his friends or the $1 or more that he is out of pocket nearly so much as he does the loss of the prisoner He says that he never hated anything so badly in his life and he did come home without his man

Mr Hawkins says it wasn't sympathy for Rembert at all that resulted in his escape He says he didn't handcuff him because he wanted to escape attention himself Rembert being old and crippled would naturally have attracted much sympathy and attention so as they walked out for exercise he did not make Rembert wear the bracelets Rembert was ill and was taking medicine according to Mr Hawkins and they went to a drug store to get the prescription refilled While the clerk was making the prescription Mr Hawkins turned to buy a cigar When he looked around again Rembert was gone The drug store opened into a saloon and it was through this that he had made his escape

Had Filed Damage Suit.

When he got away he had three or four dollars in his clothing Mr Hawkins doubts whether he will be recaptured in St Louis but believes that he cannot escape capture long as he immediately sent out descriptions to police officers throughout that section of the country

A suit for damages filed by Rembert against a man at McKeesrock Mr Hawkins found was probably the cause of his arrest there The man who first notified the sheriff's department here that Rembert was at McKeesrock was the defendant in this suit He had heard Rembert talk about the killing of Hardwicke and when Rembert filed suit against him it is believed he saw that his return here might result in the dismissal of the suit so he notified the officers The latest escapade of Rembert is likely to bring this result

SAYS SOME REAL FIGHTING STILL PROMISED IN MEXICO

Houston, Tex, Jan 6—According to John Kenneth Turner author of the series of magazine article entitled Barbarous Mexico which first attracted attention to conditions under the Diaz regime in that republic was here recently for a short stay en route from El Paso to New York Mr Turner says that some fighting is promised which will make the previous battles look tame He predicts that it will be fought on the mountain-walled plains of Torreon between the Carranza and Villa forces

The Battle Royal

By Enos Emory

At the age of 19 Ray Wheeler entered college and three years later he graduated as a lawyer He was taking a rest and looking around previous to setting up for himself when Aunt Hannah discovered something that made her shiver in horror She had heard no complaints of the young man's conduct while he was at college and no policeman had ever appeared at the house to warn her that Ray was whooping it up when away from her motherly influence

The young man had a caller one evening in the person of an old classmate They smoked and talked They talked about straight jabs uppercuts right-hand swings and other things belonging to the Greek language The door of the room was open and Aunt Hannah heard them Later they ascended to the garret She crept part way up the narrow stairs and saw and heard She saw them don boxing gloves and punch each other around the big room in fiercest fashion, and also make use of terms she never heard before not even in connection with state prisons and ward caucuses

When the visitor had departed Ray was summoned to the frozen presence of Aunt Hannah who began

I wish to ask you sir what an upper-cut is?

Why—why he stammered in his surprise an upper cut is when you bring your fist up ... and land on the other fellow's chin

And what is a straight jab?

It is meeting the other fellow full in the face with your fist when he ... at you

And didn't I hear something about rights and swings? she continued as she sat in judgment like a member of the supreme court

You swing with your right this way and sometimes knock the other fellow's head off

And what were you and that young man doing up in the garret?

We had the mitts on for a few rounds to keep in practice

Mitts? Mitts?

Boxing gloves you know

If I had known that they trained young men to be prize fighters you would never have gone to college Never until ... other young man ... again ... boxing ...

But aunt

Not a word sir If anyone had told me that you were a thief I could not feel worse The prize fighting business must stop right here If there is any more of it I shall alter my will in favor of those nephews who are gentlemen even if they don't know any too much

The gloves were handed over to her and sent downstairs to be cremated in the furnace and the visitor did not call again What did happen was that Ray Wheeler attended the nearest gymnasium instead It was an almost daily practice and Aunt Hannah would have been none the wiser but for a tale bearer Her coachman wandered into the ... one day and saw Ray hard at work and an hour later the spinster was in possession of the fact She ... that she had ... passed ...

Didn't I tell you ... now horrified I was? she demanded

Yes but

And that I wanted no prize fighter in my family?

Yes but you see——"

A gentleman always carries a cane to defend himself with

But a cane may be forgotten Suppose I was going down the street and was accosted by two or three—

I can't possibly suppose any such thing A loafer recognizes a gentleman when he sees one and lets him alone Ray you may go to a hotel for two or three days I want time to think things over When I have come to a decision I will send you word

Ray Wheeler went without making further protest He had been at the hotel for two days when he took a walk through a rough part of the city He was dodging children here and besotted men and women there and keeping as clear of push carts as he could when he came upon a broken down carriage in the street

He recognized the driver as the man who drove for his Aunt Burt and a moment later saw the woman herself standing in a doorway She was on one of her charity rounds Half a dozen loafers had taken advantage of the accident to hem her in and menace her She had given up her purse but they wanted more They were referring to her as old gal and almost tearing the gloves off her hand when there came an interruption The adopted son put up his dukes and began knocking the loafers into the gutter He cleared a path to Aunt Hannah and bid her be of good cheer and then a pretty little play occurred Three or four of the gang came back for more and got it There were three of them asleep on their backs when a policeman finally pushed his way through the crowd and exclaimed

Bully for you young man ...

willing to give up a hundred ... I could handle my dukes like th

Aunt Hannah was escorted ... repaired carriage and she motioned to Ray to get in beside her She hadn't a word to say until she reached home and had her bonnet off Then she turned and asked

Ray did you upper cut them?

Yes aunt '

And give them straight jabs?"

"For sure"

'And deliver right-hand swings?'

A few of them

"I—I guess you'd better stay home now that you are here and if you want the use of the garret I shan't have any objections providing you don't make too much noise!"

With Cousin Phil's Help

By Will Seaton

Hunter Johnston was in love with Carrol thoroughly so, but the practical joking instinct is like conscience and a taste for olives—hard to forget when once acquired A brilliant idea in the jesting line came to Johnston the morning of his sweetheart's birthday and he immediately set about giving it to that portion of the world in which he was most interested

Carrol's birthday gifts from her particular circle were all that heart could desire and she waited with happy anticipation for her fiance's offering

At 1 o'clock a messenger boy appeared with a long, slender package for Miss Merrifield She opened it with eagerness and found a single magnificent American beauty wrapped carefully in waxed paper and sparkling as if with the dew of June Within five minutes another messenger with another long slender package rang the bell and this also yielded up a rose When with the regularity of clockwork five uniformed imps had come and gone in twenty five minutes all with similar votive offerings the girl comprehended Johnston of the fertile mind had hit upon the plan of sending her twenty three roses one for each year of her life but the gift was to be delivered on the installment plan

The ingenious idea was pleasing for a time With the tenth rose the Merrifield family was holding joyous council over the ever increasing pile of boxes in the library, and Carrol was restless When the fifteenth bona fide messenger had come and gone—not counting four small curiosity-seekers who smiled expansively murmured something about the wrong number and retreated Carrol was thoroughly angry When on the heels of the twenty third accredited flower bearer Johnston appeared a particularly desirable brooch in his pocket and a sense of duty well done in his heart she was composed but the anger though not visible was present and content

With true maidenly ... John ston noticed nothing out of the ordinary with his sweetheart She thanked him gaily and with the proper degree of warmth for brooch and roses

Mr Practical Joker must have a lesson Miss Merrifield declared to herself, after his departure as she nibbled with lips as red as the petals themselves at the eighteenth rose I didn't mind so much his other tricks but this time he has gone too far'

He'd only laugh if he knew old Mrs Froude sat in her window and counted those messengers With the extra ones mixed in little wretches —there were thirty one of them

She knows today's my birthday and saw through Hunter's scheme as quickly as I did And she'll never believe but what I'm thirty one! So Mr Hunter Johnston beware of an old maid's vengeance and she waved the rose theatrically in air

On the morning of his own birth day five days later when his man brought up the mail Johnston's eye was immediately taken by one long white envelope It was certainly peculiar in appearance, for his name and address were formed of letters clipped from newspaper and pasted upon it The envelope contained the following missive similarly constructed

Do you care to see your sweetheart eloping with another man? Be at the Twenty third street ferry Thursday afternoon at 4

At ten minutes of the hour Johnston's heart gave a painful throb for Carrol rose from the searching wind entered the ferry building A tall athletic young man with the air of the outlander about him he was well dressed and evidently well bred but not a New Yorker followed her in He was carrying two heavy suitcases

Johnston confronted them May I ask what this means Carrol?" he asked quietly

The girl halted and seemed to shrink from him The athletic stranger stepped forward And may I inquire how it concerns you? He did not raise his voice and the attention of none of the jostling scores was attracted to the group

Johnston ignored him Did I deserve this Carrol? he went on If you'd ask I'd release you When I got this letter —

The girl had determined to punish him thoroughly but at the sight of his weary troubled face she relented

Do you know she interrupted blithely I'm proud of that letter? I avoided telling a lie in it even a white one although I came pretty close to fibbing didn't I? But I blistered my hand cutting out those letters Wasn't it a real sweet little birthday gift?

Doubt and dawning comprehension struggled in Johnston's eyes But, why—why he began

Why—why? mocked his sweetheart her head tilted saucily a roguish smile on her face Just to show that two can play at practical joking as well as one Thirty-one messengers, boys sir! You should have a whole month of anonymous letters '

But this gentleman he waved his hand toward the athletic stranger who appeared to be enjoying the conversation overmuch

My cousin Phil Hudson of Omaha Mr Johnson He came last night, but could only stay with us a few hours

You were the victim of a base conspiracy Mr Johnston laughed Hudson as they shook hands I beg pardon

Oh nothing of consequence, responded Johnston, "I just said stung!"'

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NEW COURT BILL HAS BEEN DRAFTED

MEETING OF BAR ASSOCIATION CALLED MONDAY TO CONSIDER IT

SOME OPPOSITION DEVELOPES

Clay County Representatives Inclined to Oppose Creation of New Court

Plans for the creation of the new judicial district to consist only of Wichita county are going forward rapidly and the bill to be presented to the legislature has been prepared by the special committee of the bar association to which this matter was entrusted. A call for a meeting of the association for tomorrow morning has been issued as follows:

To the members of the Wichita Falls Bar Association: A meeting of the Bar Association will be held at the court house Monday, January 4 at [illegible] ... Wichita Falls Bar Association.

Opposition In Sight

That there [illegible] opposition to the new [illegible] is apparent. C. W. Boner [illegible] representative [illegible] Archer district [illegible] that he will be against [illegible] consider it [illegible] Wichita Falls would [illegible] out.

The [illegible] made to the opponents [illegible] court is simple [illegible] are about [illegible] docket of the 30th [illegible] present and there are [illegible] days in the court [illegible] that about five cases per [illegible] have to be disposed of [illegible] docket. Even with divorce cases [illegible] civil docket and [illegible] criminal docket [illegible] average that man [illegible] not considered [illegible] docket [illegible] condition.

Mr. Boner's Attitude

In connection with [illegible] Boner's attitude toward the bill the Henrietta Independent [illegible] says:

Respecting [illegible] Wichita county district [illegible] Mr. Boner said he was [illegible] oppose. He said that it [illegible] presented to him that [illegible] of that county is in [illegible] congested condition. This condition [illegible] been brought about with malice aforethought, so to speak. That is, that the lawyers of Wichita county who want the new court have deliberately continued their cases with the express intention of filling up the docket with a great number of cases so as to make a showing before the legislature that the court is needed. He thinks that Judge Akin has agreed to analyze the docket and has said that if it is possible for him to do so he will recommend that the court be not established.

While he did not say so in so many words [illegible] of the opinion that if Wichita county will vote out the saloons Mr. Boner will vote for its new court. [illegible] A committee of lawyers will go before the legislature and urge the establishment of a separate district [illegible] in Wichita county in addition to the terms of court held there by the court of the 30th judicial district, which district it is proposed to [illegible] as it is now organized.

The bill which will be introduced contemplates making the new court one to civil cases exclusively, with [illegible] terms starting in March and September. The judge of the new court would however have authority to [illegible] grand juries or reconvene grand juries of the 30th district court if it were deemed expedient to do so. The original draft of the bill as prepared by the committee follows:

Copy of Proposed Bill

An act creating the 74th judicial district to be composed of Wichita county, to [illegible] its jurisdiction and fix [illegible] uniform all writs and process of [illegible] court and of the 30th judicial district for Wichita county to such change [illegible] the provision of the act to empower the judges of the [illegible] judicial district and the 30th judicial district to transfer cases between the respective county courts to the other district court for Wichita county as herein provided; to provide for the appointment of a district judge for the 74th judicial district until the next general election and to fix his salary; to provide that no grand jury [illegible] empanelled for the court unless by special order of the judge thereof, and providing that he shall have the authority to recall and reorganize the grand jury of the 30th district court for Wichita county; to provide for the arrangement of the dockets of the two district courts for Wichita county; to provide that the clerk of the district court of Wichita county shall be the clerk of this court; to provide that all criminal cases in this court shall be prosecuted by the district attorney of the 30th judicial district and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. Wichita county shall hereafter constitute the 74th judicial district and the district court in said district shall hold its terms as follows: Beginning on the first Mondays in March and September and shall continue in session until the Saturday night next preceding the beginning of the following term unless the business of the term shall be sooner disposed of; provided that nothing in this act shall be construed to in any way affect the time and terms of the courts of the 30th judicial district in said county as the same is now constituted.

Section 2. The district courts of the 74th and 30th judicial district shall have concurrent jurisdiction of all cases civil and criminal and appellate over which the district courts of the State have jurisdiction under the constitution and laws of the State of Texas co-extensive with the limits of Wichita county, provided however that no grand jury shall be drawn for the 74th district court unless the judge thereof in his discretion shall decide that it is necessary and shall make a special order for the same upon the minutes of said court; provided further that the judge of the 74th district shall have the authority at any time he may think it necessary to recall, reassemble and reempanel that grand jury of the 30th district court for Wichita county, and the grand jury so reempanelled and reorganized shall constitute a legal grand jury for the 74th district court the same as if originally drawn, summoned and organized in said court.

Section [illegible]. The judges of the 30th and 74th district courts for Wichita county may each at his discretion at any time or upon agreement of the parties or where the judge may be [illegible] the administration of justice will be facilitated thereby transfer any case, civil or criminal, from the dockets of their respective courts to the docket of the other district court of Wichita county and shall note such transfer on the docket, whereupon the clerk of the district court [illegible] said cause upon the docket of the other district court to which such case has been transferred and such case shall there be tried or disposed of as if originally filed in said court; provided that no transcript of the record shall be necessary to the jurisdiction of the court to which such case has been transferred and no formal proceeding shall be necessary in such case to show such transfer.

Section 4. As soon as this act shall take effect the clerk of the district court for Wichita county shall make up the docket for said 74th district court in the following manner: He shall enter upon said docket [illegible] [illegible] may be transferred by the judge of the 30th judicial district and all such cases as may be transferred to such court by agreement of the parties, and if after all such cases are transferred there remains upon the docket of the 30th district court for said county more than 40 per cent of the total number of cases pending in said county then he shall transfer enough of the oldest cases on the docket [illegible] 60 per cent of the pending business for the said 74th district court. After the beginning of the first term of the 74th district court the clerk shall make up the dockets of each court by filing each case in the court having the first appearance day after the time of filing the petition in which service may be had; provided that all criminal cases shall be docketed in the court which receives the indictment or information upon which such cases are based and all appeals in probate cases from the county probate court of Wichita county shall be to the court holding the first term after notice of appeal is given.

Section [illegible]. All writs, process, bonds and recognizances, civil or criminal, issued, executed, entered into or returned in the district court of Wichita county prior to the taking effect of this act and returnable or cognizable in or to said court as has been heretofore fixed by law are hereby made returnable to and cognizable in either the 30th district court for Wichita county or the 74th district court as the same may acquire jurisdiction under the terms of this act, and they shall be [illegible] held and [illegible] as if [illegible] such made [illegible] or entered into in the court acquiring jurisdiction under the terms of this act.

Section [illegible]. The clerk of the district court for Wichita county shall be clerk of the 74th district court and the district attorney of the 30th judicial district of Texas shall represent the State in all criminal cases cognizable in said court, and his per diem [illegible] accounts approved by the judge of said court shall be paid [illegible] approved by the judge of the 30th judicial district court.

Section 7. As soon as this act takes effect the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate shall appoint a suitable person as judge of the 74th judicial district of Texas who shall hold his office until the next general election in November A. D. 1916 and until his successor is elected and qualified. He shall possess the constitutional qualifications of district judges and shall receive the same salary as other district judges in this State.

Section 8. The present crowded condition of the dockets of the district court for Wichita county rendering it impossible for litigants to have speedy trial of their causes and courts [illegible] an emergency and an imperative public necessity [illegible] suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days [illegible] a [illegible] of the [illegible] that this act take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

JUDGE AKIN PRESIDES AT HIS FIRST TRIAL TODAY

Hears Contested Divorce Case From Friberg As First To Be Tried Before Him

From Monday's Daily.

Judge Akin presided over his first trial as judge of the 30th judicial district this morning in the old jail building while county court was held in the district court room. The county court was engaged in finishing up a damage suit case begun last week. As the case to be heard in the district court was a divorce suit not requiring a jury Judge Akin gave way to the county court and took his court over to the old jail. The suit was that of C. O. Jennings vs Reta Jennings. The couple were formerly residents of the Friberg community. Mrs. Jennings is contesting the suit filed by her husband and is represented by Attorney Liston of Pawnee, Oklahoma and Hon. Lindsay Bibb of this city.

SAY SOLUTION NOT IN DIVERSIFICATION

FARMERS UNION OFFICIALS DISCUSS MOVEMENT IN THIS STATE

CREDIT SYSTEM CHIEF DANGER

Texas Needs to be Freed of Its Evils First, They Say, Before Adopting New Ideas

Special to The Times.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 4. The following signed article has been given out from the headquarters of the Farmers Educational and Co-Operative Union of Texas in this city:

Much is being said on the subject of diversification in Texas [illegible] Farmers Union has preached it in season and out and the organizations we have the honor to represent stand ready to co-operate with every movement looking to the practical solution of the problems of agriculture. Every farmer should live at home and every influence that encourages him to do so is a blessing.

While diversification is an important factor it is not the whole thing and it is one the farmer cannot solve unaided. The principal difficulty lies in the high rates of interest and a low price for our products and the solution of these problems require cooperation between the farmers, bankers and business men. To give a concrete example we will take Smith county where one of the undersigned recently addressed an audience of farmers and business men and came in contact with actual conditions as they now exist there. This county cannot be excelled in the fertility and patriotism of its citizenship. It probably leads all other counties in diversification [illegible] peaches, tomatoes and [illegible] other vegetables [illegible] famous and it is one of the leading counties in [illegible] farming conditions. It is there that the credit system flourishes and bears its most perfect fruit. Conditions there are in the main typical in many ways of agricultural conditions throughout the State as a whole.

Where Blame Rests

We want to [illegible] here that we consider the credit merchant a victim as well as a beneficiary of our credit system, and the farmer is not altogether blameless for bearing the galling yoke of usury which custom has placed upon his back. The farmers in that county as well as those of many other counties have been caught between the voracious jaws of usury and low prices, and crushed and they now lie writhing in agony.

The good women of Tyler are relieving the distress by assembling castoff clothing of the family and offering it to wives of the poorer farmers, some of whom it is said are glad to accept it. The high rate of interest [illegible] taken clothes off the backs of the families of many farmers [illegible] their wives and children are shivering [illegible] cold. Some of the farmers are mortgaging their crop we are reliably informed as far ahead as 1916 in order to obtain credit. Such farmers are no longer free men; they are agricultural peons with mortgaged souls.

Does Smith county need a battery of book farmers to teach them diversification? We think not. [illegible] needs patriotic business men and level headed farmers who will [illegible] the issue squarely and cooperate in [illegible] cheap money and in building warehouses and financing the cotton crop. The farmers know as much about raising pumpkins, potatoes and peanuts as they do about raising cotton and they will raise them whenever there is a profitable market.

Too Much Theory Feared

The over-zealous and [illegible] city diversifiers who urge the farmer to imbibe freely and blindly of their advice are ofttimes a worse enemy to the farmer than the usurer and there are many farmers in Texas today stranded by participating in theoretical folly.

We understand that a movement is on for city diversifiers to put on a whirlwind campaign using the press and a train load of agricultural orators to impress upon the farmer the importance of diversification. The Farmers Union stands for diversification along practical lines but opposes diversifying from a marketable product to one that cannot be marketed and [illegible] farmers of Texas can never hope to become either wealthy or intelligent through conversations with book farmers.

It is a favorite pastime of city farmers, many of whom have profited by the high rate of interest prevailing, to contribute toward the expense of sending out a train load of book farmers who spin agricultural yarns and present get-rich-quick schemes of farming that have never failed to break every farmer who tried them.

We understand that it is proposed to start the train out early in the morning, dropping off speakers along the route and returning late at night to pick them up. We are especially interested in having them picked up as we fear many of these agricultural experts if left to make a living on the farm would starve to death inside of ninety days.

Some Questions Asked

We want to ask some of the titled attaches to this proposed train a few questions. Will the peanut professor please say what the farmers are to do with the surplus goober crop now on hand and which cannot be sold at cost of production? These products were raised in many instances at the urgent insistence of city diversifiers who talked as though factories would spring up in every fence corner bidding for peanuts.

During the past year we think it is safe to estimate that one third of the vegetables rotted for want of a market. Shall we raise more? Why is it that these men who know so much about farming don't try plowing awhile and quit talking about it?

The Farmers Union stands for conversations.

W. D. LEWIS, President Farmers Educational and Co-Operative Union of Texas.

PETER RADFORD, Nat'l Lecturer Farmers Educational and Co-Operative Union of America.

SAYS RESOLUTIONS ARE WORTH WHILE

PURPOSES IN MAN'S HEART COUNT SAYS FIRST M. E. PASTOR

SECOND SERMON ON SUBJECT

Urges Making of Worthy Resolutions and Keeping of Them, For New Year

From Monday's Daily.

Rev. C. [illegible] Smith [illegible] preached Sunday night of [illegible] week on the [illegible] making [illegible] the New Year's [illegible] New Year's resolution [illegible] approached the [illegible] different manner [illegible] good resolution [illegible] in man's heart [illegible] that counted before the Almighty [illegible] things be a [illegible] for urged worthy [illegible] resolutions in the New [illegible]

[illegible] well [illegible] heart [illegible] of the sermon [illegible] last Sunday [illegible] a hundred subject [illegible] positive [illegible] viewpoint [illegible] and the good which [illegible] from it. The textual incident is taken from the great deu[illegible] made by King Solomon at the dedication of the temple [illegible] The temple was [illegible] and now at [illegible] in dedicating to Jehovah [illegible] splendor and deep [illegible] Solomon recalled the [illegible] the temple and [illegible] ence the thought of [illegible] for Jehovah as conceived in the heart of David his father had laid upon the actual building of the temple. He recognized that the [illegible] idea was born in the heart of David even if the execution of the plan had been left to him. He reviewed before the people the leadings of God in the matter and recalled [illegible] God had spoken to David and told him that it was a good thing that he had purposed in his heart to build a temple even though he himself was not allowed to finish the task [illegible] is a good illustration of the fact that a man of worth can be a power for good even beyond his actual [illegible] Every man who has been seeking to live well at all has some regard for the effect of his life. His work will live after him. David was a warrior [illegible] a man of blood [illegible] his task to unify [illegible] kingdom so that the [illegible] might be a [illegible] He did [illegible] in the sight of [illegible] [illegible] purpose [illegible] not [illegible] which others [illegible] [illegible]

Good Intentions

Consider [illegible] [illegible] of right purpose [illegible] with [illegible] intentions. The meaning of this [illegible] evident [illegible] man worthy [illegible] to keep them [illegible] because only [illegible] intends [illegible] purposes ever get [illegible] heaven or [illegible] [illegible] effort [illegible] [illegible] that only [illegible] improvement [illegible] temple [illegible] work [illegible] purposes [illegible] which will [illegible]

[illegible] purposeful [illegible] obligated to [illegible] higher plane [illegible] Of course [illegible] we are not [illegible] sidering that [illegible] sometimes [illegible] for purposing. There is [illegible] difference between wishing and [illegible] We are talking about people [illegible] And after all [illegible] purpose [illegible] the sight of [illegible] do that [illegible] This is [illegible] He does not [illegible] actual [illegible] what we would [illegible] He does not need [illegible] to improve his material universe. He pronounced the world very good before man undertook to confirm its surface. [illegible] he were particularly concerned about having a temple in Jerusalem he could send legions of angels to build one fairer than Solomon's. He himself is master [illegible] architect and builder of all the universe.

Purpose vs Achievement

What God was [illegible] building in [illegible] lem was not [illegible] such a temple [illegible] he was building [illegible] David and Solomon and a host of [illegible] worship [illegible] to [illegible] since crushed [illegible] and Solomon [illegible] He does not [illegible] He does need [illegible] people we should be intelligent [illegible] fort to secure worth [illegible] commendable [illegible] achievement [illegible] the purposing [illegible] well and we [illegible] still [illegible] [illegible] of the Wright Brothers [illegible] inevitably [illegible] without [illegible] [illegible] even though we come [illegible] [illegible]

Step In Right Direction

[illegible] in the right direction [illegible] [illegible] nation devote [illegible] necessities [illegible] courage we [illegible] them the fundamentals of peace are sometime forestalled [illegible] our good intention [illegible] that make it impossible [illegible] [illegible]

STOCK EXCHANGE IN LONDON REOPENS

BUSINESS IS RESUMED WITH [illegible] VERY STRINGENT RESTRICTIONS

TRADING DECIDEDLY CURTAILED

A [illegible] F [illegible] Are Excluded From [illegible]

[illegible]

PLAN ORGANIZATION OF POULTRY ASSOCIATION

[illegible]

SALOON LITERATURE CANNOT BE SENT OUT

[illegible] BARS SOLICITATION OF ORDERS IN DRY TERRITORY

COUNTY ATTORNEY IS ADVISED

Attorney General's Department At Austin Answers His Inquiry As To Matter

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1914 POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS SHOW GAIN

TOTAL FOR YEAR PASSES $60,000 MARK. TEN PER CENT INCREASE

DECEMBER MAKES NEW RECORD

Largest Month in History of Office is Now Probably Tenth in the State

[illegible] consecutive year [illegible] Wichita Falls postoffice [illegible] over the next pre[illegible] The total reach[illegible] This is [illegible] eight years [illegible] over [illegible] approximately [illegible]

[illegible] 1914 the banner year [illegible] but receipts [illegible] December for any [illegible] receipts this [illegible] increase of [illegible] and $500 [illegible] best month [illegible] July 1914 [illegible] $7,528 [illegible] show [illegible] following:

[illegible]	$1,017.75
[illegible]	[illegible]38.67
[illegible]	[illegible]30.96
[illegible]	[illegible]98.59
[illegible]	[illegible]241.18
[illegible]	45,115.81
[illegible]	[illegible]66.47
[illegible]	[illegible]481.38

[illegible] Amarillo and [illegible] have hereto[illegible] with [illegible] that [illegible] office [illegible] the [illegible] Dallas [illegible] Fort Worth [illegible] Waco, Beaumont [illegible]

GROSS RECEIPTS TAX IS NOW BEING COLLECTED

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AUTOMOBILE HITS BUGGY OCCUPANTS ARE INJURED

From Monday's Daily.

Mr. Willie [illegible] street [illegible] [illegible]

COURT BILL INDORSED BY BAR ASSOCIATION TODAY

Committee Appointed To Present It To Legislature—Members To Go To Austin

From Monday's Daily.

The Wichita County Bar [illegible] this morning endorsed the bill for a new district court here drafted by a committee and published in Sunday's Times and appointed a committee to present it before the legislature.

The committee was authorized to call for volunteers from members of the Bar association and citizens to go to Austin to help in getting [illegible] before the legislature. [illegible] member of the bar also was asked to write to any members of the legislature with whom they might [illegible] in urging favorable action [illegible]

To meet the claim that [illegible] urged in some quarters that [illegible] sted docket is a thing that was [illegible] brought [illegible] additional court here. District [illegible] Kerr has been asked [illegible] the last [illegible] year [illegible] term of court.

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Personal Mention

From Thursday's Daily

Mrs C Baggett of Electra is visiting friends here

E A Dale was down from Electra today on business

Miss Lennie Peery returned today after a visit with friends at Waco

Tobe Morrow constable at Electra was down on official business today

Will Daniels was here today on his way to Fort Worth on business

Miss Pauline Richolt has as her guest Miss Leona Rominger of Fort Worth

Mrs Felix Payne and daughter Miss Marian Crabtree, are visiting friends in Fort Worth

W J Dowie has returned from Oklahoma, where he went last week on a wild turkey hunting trip

Sam Roberts and bride left this afternoon for Petrolia where they will be given a reception by friends tonight

Joe Harry Bayless and Wellington McCandless returned to their home at Mangum today, after a visit with relatives here

Miss Ruth Howard left this afternoon for her home in Frederick Oklahoma after a short visit with Miss Frances Urban

Miss Lillian Sproles was expected to arrive today from Greenville to make this city her home She is a niece of Sam Sproles

Jack Fort who has been in Fort Worth some time for the benefit of his health, has returned He is now feeling much better

Mrs W H Bachman was taken to Dr Harris' sanitarium in Fort Worth this afternoon She was accompanied by Mr Bachman and Dr Mark Moore

Dr Wade H Walker is back from Fort Worth, where he had gone to attend a banquet given by the Tarrant County Medical Society honoring Dr Bacon Saunders the newly elected president of the Southern Surgical and Gynecological Association, given at the Westbrook Hotel on the night of the 29th

Rev F A. Bracher pastor of the Lutheran Trinity Church announces that services will be held at the church at the corner of Fourteenth and Bluff streets tonight at seven o'clock and tomorrow morning at ten o'clock No preaching service will be held Sunday as the pastor will be in Vernon An invitation is extended to all to attend the services tonight and tomorrow morning

Rev T E Cannedy and Fred Stengle returned today from Vernon where they attended the poultry show there this week Both were exhibitors of Campine chickens Other Wichitans also exhibited Campines 25 birds being exhibited from here Wichitans won all the prizes in this class Rev Cannedy and other poultry fanciers are agitating a poultry show here in the near future It will probably be held in the latter part of January or in February

From Friday's Daily

Dr W B Farris the osteopathist has left for Fort Smith, Arkansas, where he will practice in the future, Dr Faris and family made friends while here and established a reputation as a most capable osteopathist.

Rev M S Humphrey of Austin arrived today and will preach at the Baptist church at Iowa Park Sunday mroning and night He stopped off here for a short visit with Rev R C Miller

M A Barwise of Eelctra was in the city on business today

Miss Mabel Black of Dallas arrived this afternoon for an extended visit with her aunt, Mrs George D Keith

Rev and Mrs R C Miller entertained the members of the official board of the First Baptist church and their wives at a four course six o'clock dinner New Years eve Covers were laid for 35

O. Bullington left today for Amarillo to atend Court of Civil Appeal tomorrow

Miss Vivian Manning of Bellevue is visiting Miss Laura Martin

Mrs Wiley D Robertson of Corsicana is visitng Mrs T W Zeigler for a few days

Judge C B Felder has returned from a ten days visit to the home of his father at Chapel Hill, Texas

W M Cashier, cashier of the First National Bank, left this afternon on a business trip to San Angelo

Mr James Young and baby returned to Dallas this afternoon to pack up their household goods to move back to Wichita Falls, Mr Young having accepted a position with a wholesale firm here

DR. J. W. DuVAL
Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat.
GLASSES FITTED.

From Sunday's Daily

Frank Burns has returned from San Angelo where he spent the holidays with his mother Mr Burns says [illegible] have been unusually heavy [illegible] in that section Cattlemen [illegible] [illegible] due to the fact that the grass is heavy the rains having [illegible] [illegible] the ground

D R F Glenn of Athens Ga is in the city Dr Glenn is here looking over the situation with a view of locating here permanently

Dr J T Holyman and family who have been visiting relatives here left yesterday for Oklahoma points

Jack Kelly will leave today for Tulsa Okla on business

J C Straus came down from Tulsa yesterday to spend several days here on business

B F Davis of Decatur who is visiting his daughters Mrs H A Fairchild and Mrs J L Waggoner, is very sick with the grip

Mrs A L Ford and children who have been spending the holidays as the guest of her sisters Mesdames J Milt Lawin and H C Dakan and other relatives will leave today for her home in Denison

W B Taylor principal of the high school at Nocona, is visiting Prof and Mrs O H Foster 1407 Burnett

J D Johnson formerly of the Robertson Johnson Paint Co now salesman for the Magnolia Petroleum Co, who has been living at Fort Worth has returned to Wichita Falls He has purchased G H Carpenter's home on Tenth street which his family occupied yesterday Mr Johnson and his family made many friends here who will be glad to know that they are returning to Wichita Falls

Mrs C B Lagon returned to Dallas yesterday after a visit with Mrs Ben Donnell

Mrs Mollie Childress of Fort Worth is the guest of Dr and Mrs C P Young for a few days

Mrs J S Fore who was operated upon last week at the Wichita Sanitarium continues to improve steadily

Miss Opal Shaver left Saturday for Salina Texas where she has accepted a position in the public schools

Miss Bernice Schloberg and brother returned to their home in Henrietta Saturday after a pleasant visit with Mr and Mrs A Zundelowitz

From Monday's Daily

Mrs John Block of Charlie is visiting in the city

J M Bowen has returned from a visit to his old home at Homer La

J F Peck of Sherman is in the city on business

Mrs W C W Brown and daughter Margaret have returned from a holiday visit to Quanah

George Woodruff and Wm Penner have returned from Weatherford and Fort Worth

J O Taylor and J J McConkey left this afternoon for Eastland where they will attend court

Milton Clendinnin editor of the Burkburnett Star was a visitor here today

T B Noble, Jr returned to Bell Buckle Tenn yesterday to resume his studies

Dr I P Amason left this afternoon for New Orleans where he will spend a month attending clinics and lectures

Dr J T Lee and wife of Munday arrived this afternoon for a visit with their son Dr Q B Lee and family

John Mackechney returned to Arlington this afternoon where he is attending the Arlington Training School

Mrs L A Wade has returned to her home in Eufaula Oklahoma after a visit to J L Maxwell and family

Robert Huff Jr left today to resume his studies at Northwestern University Chicago after spending the holidays here

Mrs W T Boone who has been spending the holidays with her son T R Boone and wife, returned today to her home at Lubbock

Mr and Mrs F H Brown returned yesterday from a two weeks visit with friends and relatives at Texarkana and other Arkansas points

Dr A B Kell who has been visiting his parents here returned to New Orleans this afternoon where he is an interne in the Charity Hospital

Mrs T B Noble accompanied by her daughter Margaret, went to Fort Worth this afternoon where the latter will enter the Texas Woman's College

Dr A R Prothro and family have returned from Chickasha Oklahoma, where they spent the holidays with Mr Prothro's mother and other relatives

Harrison Bachman, after spending the holidays with home folks returned to Fort Worth this afternoon where he is taking a course at the Brantley Draughon business college

Mrs Frances Urbane and Miss Lorena Arcola who has been her guest through the holidays returned this afternoon to Columbia Mo to resume their studies in Christian College

James Jennings Earl Fain Leslie Stringer Pat Carrigan Joe Kell and Edgar Gotshine left this afternoon for Boonville Mo where they are students at Kemper Military Academy

Dr W A Darnell and wife [illegible] [illegible] guests [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mr and Mrs P E M [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] home from a visit with other relatives in Oklahoma

J F [illegible] of Weatherford who assisted at the Kemper [illegible] during the holiday rush left today for Weatherford and from there will go to Meridian Miss to sing at evangelistic meetings being conducted there by Rev Martin

Mr E W Grogan merchant at Byers was here today with his daughter Miss Fannie who is returning to school at Clarendon Mr Grogan reports very prosperous conditions at Byers There was not only an extraordinary cotton crop in the country around Byers, he says but fifteen hundred bales of cotton have come across the river in Oklahoma to Byers to market Wheat he said was looking as good as it did this time last winter although some of the crop is not so far advanced as a year ago

A number of Wichita Falls young people left this afternoon for schools and colleges after spending the holidays at home Among them were Miss Cora Lee Waggoner to Southwestern University at Georgetown Miss Icie Stringer to T C U at Fort Worth Miss Inez Geary to Dallas Miss Beth Lowrance to the Presbyterian College at Milford Oscar Snider to St Basils at Waco Miss Dorothy Beavers, to Trinity University at Waxahachie and Miss Leila Bell Anderson to T C U

From Tuesday's Daily

Ivan Lawler, Henry and Luther Robertson and Preston Brown have returned to Baylor University at Waco after spending the holidays with home folks

Miss Blanche Lawler after spending the holidays with her parents returned yesterday to Baylor College at Belton

Mrs J B Whitman and baby went to Henrietta today for a visit with her mother, Mrs A D Terrill

Harry Katz, of Harry's Sample Shoe Sotre, will leave tonight for an extended trip to the Eastern markets

Mr and Mrs S A Roberts of Petrolia are registered at the Westland

E H Ikard of Denton was a visitor here yesterday

Rev J W Jent, pastor of the Baptist church at Henrietta, arrived this afternoon and will give a lecture illustrated with stereopticon views tonight at the First Baptist church on Southern Baptist Missions in China

J V C J Christensen and O B Cecil of the Wichita Falls Foundry and Machine Co left this afternoon for Sherman where they go to visit the Frisco shops The local foundry has the contract for brass casting for the North Texas lines of the Frisco

W J Grisham made a business trip to Decatur this afternoon

H W Whitney correspondent for the Oil and Gas Journal has returned from a trip to eastern points

R L Bailey of Lipton is in the city on business

A Woodward of Clinton Mo father of George L Woodard is in the city

Mr T M Bumer and his daughter who have been guests in the homes of G M Small and W L Penn for several days returned to their home in Amarillo today

From Wednesday's Daily

Attorney Fred S Bryan of Pawnee, Okla is attending the district court this week

Miss Myrtice Stringer has returned to Washington College at Washington D C after spending the holiday with her parents Mr and Mrs J W Stringer

J B Marlow made a business trip to Vernon this afternoon

Louis Nussbaum returned today from Vernon

Deputy Sheriff Cobb of Amarillo who was called here to testify at the trial of Tom Smith the negro tried for murder returned to his home today

T B Noble left this afternoon on a business trip to Abilene

Jouette Bonner has returned from Louisiana where he spent Christmas with relatives

Miss Bessie Lee Barlett has returned to Denton to resume her studies in the College of Industrial Arts after spending the holidays with relatives here

R H Brown of Goodnight stopped off here a few hour last night while en route to Fort Worth with a shipment of hogs On his return tonight he will stop off again for a visit with his brother Samuel Oliver Brown

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FORMER MINISTER SUING FOR DIVORCE

BOTH HE AND HIS WIFE MAKE CHARGES AGAINST THE OTHER

"CONFESSIONS" IN TESTIMONY

Woman Tells of Admissions To Her By Husband—Case Is Not Yet Finished

"Now I hope you've got sense enough to keep that man away from here" Mrs Reta Jennings testified she told her husband C O Jennings whose suit for divorce she is contesting before Judge Akin in the district court after a friend had confessed to Jennings that he had adultery in his heart" Mrs Jennings testified that she did not know of her own knowledge that such a confession had been made but that her husband had told her it had This was while Jennings was a minister of the gospel in Oklahoma He has since withdrawn from the ministry The man whom Jennings had told her had made such a confession she said was a missionary who had returned from Mexico

Mrs Jennings testified about this man with some bitterness She said he had come to their home and would remain at weeks at a time She said she remonstrated with her husband repeatedly about allowing this man to consume their substance and when this failed to have any effect she invited the man herself to leave their home This, however, she said he failed to do and the matter brought on a quarrel between herself and her husband

In his petition Jennings charged his wife with improper relations with other men and other serious matters Depositions and testimony have been introduced in an effort to substantiate these charges Yesterday afternoon Mrs Jennings took the stand and gave her version of their marital troubles In her testimony she made charges of a most startling character declaring that on more than one occasion her husband had confessed to her of certain excesses and that his conduct physicians had told her was responsible for her illness She was still on the stand and her cross examination had not begun when court recessed at 6 o'clock last night Judge Akin is hearing the testimony whenever he can catch a few spare minutes from the murder case that is now being tried

WOODMEN OF WORLD TO INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

Vistors From Henrietta and Burkburnett Camps To Be Here For Festivities

Wichita Falls Camp will this evening will install the following officers S E Simpson consul commander M H Buchannan, advisor lieutenant E L Noey banker O W Hines escort, managers, J R Oggle and B A Fine

The Henrietta and Burkburnett camps will join the local camp and the circle from Henrietta and Burkburnett will also be installed at the same time

The drill team from Henrietta will drill also the drill team from Grove 1447 and the local camps team will put on an exhibition drill

The doors of the camp will be open to all Woodmen and their families and members of the circle The local order specially requests all members of both the circle and camp both to come with full baskets for the supper which will be a prominent feature of the evening's entertainment

RURAL CARRIERS ASK FOR COOPERATION OF PUBLIC

Issue Statement Showing How Those Whom They Serve May Help Them

Following is a letter to rural delivery patrons from the rural mail carriers association of this city

Dear Patron Rural delivery of mail is making great strides each year toward making life in rural districts more desirable The rural carriers of this county desire the cooperation of their patrons to make the year 1915 the banner year for rural delivery since the inception of the service

To this end we make the following suggestion Maintain a good mail box conveniently located for the carrier [illegible] [illegible] should be firmly attached [illegible] post set solidly in the ground [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] box so as not to delay [illegible] the delivery of mail to other patrons One minute's loss of time at each box on a route with 150 boxes causes the carrier to serve his last box two and a half hours late Do not leave unstamped letters or cards in your box An order of the postoffice department reads

Postmasters at rural delivery offices and rural carriers are directed to bring to the attention of patrons that it is the desire of the department that all first-class mail matter deposited in rural mail boxes shall be stamped before being deposited

Your carrier is always supplied with stamps stamped envelopes stamp books postal cards and blank applications for money orders You may purchase your money orders through your carrier, or cash them You may also register any letter or valuable package with him The post office department is making a special effort to enable the farmer to market his produce at a small cost A package weighing fifty pounds may be sent to any address at your local office for thirty cents and to any office within the radius of 150 miles for fifty four cents. Perishable goods are given special attention no use to lose time going to market with a few pounds of butter, a few dozen eggs and a few bunches of turnips

Insist on your correspondents addressing your mail to your route and box numbers When possible, the stamped envelope with your return address should be used in your correspondence If the roads traveled by your carrier in your vicinity are in bad condition kindly take up the subject with your neighbors and the proper officials that the necessary repairs may be more promptly made

Concentrated action from intelligent, progressive people always commands attention from public officials (Signed)

W W STIRMAN Pres
A T SCHROEDER, Sec

WOMAN ON THE BATTLEFIELD

What She Gives to a Nation

Shall we say that women contribute only the bandages the nursing cheering and comforting the wounded? No They contribute the fighters What sort of help and inspiration can a woman be who is enfeebled and broken down by diseases and weaknesses peculiar to her sex Can she hope to be a capable mother or an efficient wife

The mighty restorative power of Dr Pierce's Favorite Prescription speedily causes all womanly troubles to disappear—compels the organs to properly perform their natural functions corrects displacements overcomes irregularities removes pain and misery at certain times and brings back health and strength to nervous irritable and exhausted women

It is a wonderful prescription prepared only from nature's roots and herbs with no alcohol to falsely stimulate and no narcotics to wreck the nerves It banishes pain, headache backache low spirits hot flashes dragging down sensation worry and sleeplessness surely and without loss of time

Why should any woman continue to worry to lead a miserable existence when certain help is at hand?

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TABLET 4,000 YEARS OLD GIFT TO GEORGETOWN MAN

Special to The Times

Georgetown Texas Jan 7—Dr C C Cody of Southwestern University received a very unique Christmas gift in the form of a small stone tablet with hieroglyphics which are known to date back to 2300 or 2400 years before Christ The tablet was found in the Chaldean ruins by Prof William F Ellis of Princeton who gave it to Dr Cody The marks upon the stone are believed to be a receipt for a number of animals brought as an offering to the temple

How They Fought At Sea In 1779; America's First Great Naval Victory

An account of a sea fight in 1779 which in the light of present events is quite interesting has been furnished The Times being an excerpt from the volume "Great Epochs in American History

Jones wrote this account as his official report to Congress sending it through Benjamin Franklin who then represented the Colonies in France He wrote it on board the captured British ship Serapis while she lay at anchor off Holland in October 1779 The fight between the Bonhomme Richard and the Serpapis had occurred in the North Sea late in September of this year the Serapis being vastly the superior of Paul Jones's own ship Jones gave the name Bonhomme Richard to his own ship—an old India man—out of compliment to Franklin The expense of his expedition had been borne by the King of France After achieving his famous victory Jones was received in France with much enthusiasm The Bonhomme Richard sank the next morning after the battle

On the morning of that day the 23rd the brig from Holland not being in sight, we chased a brigantine that appeared laying to windward About noon we saw and chased a large ship that appeared coming round Flamborough Head from the northward and at the same time I manned and armed one of the pilot boats to sail in pursuit of the brigantine which now appeared to be the vessel that I had forced ashore Soon after this a fleet of 41 sail appeared off Flamborough Head bearing N N E This induced me to abandon the single ship, which had then anchored in Burlington Bay I also called back the pilot boat and hoisted a signal for a general chase When the fleet discovered us bearing down, all the merchant ships crowded sail towards the shore The two ships of war that protected the fleet at the same time steered from the land, and made the disposition for the battle In approaching the enemy I crowded every possible sail and made the signal for the line of battle to which the Alliance showed no attention Earnest as I was for the action I could not reach the commodore's ship until seven in the evening Being then within pistol shot when he hailed the Bon homme Richard we answered him by firing a whole broadside

The battle being thus begun was continued with unremitting fury Every method was practiced on both sides to gain an advantage and rake each other and I must confess that the enemy's ship being much more manageable than the Bon homme Richard gained thereby several times an advantageous situation in spite of my best endeavors to prevent it As I had to deal with an enemy of greatly superior force I was under the necessity of closing with him to prevent the advantage which he had over me in point of maneuvre It was my intention to lay the Bon homme Richard athwart the enemy's bow but as that operation required great dexterity in the management of both sails and helm and some of our braces being shot away it did not exactly succeed to my wishes The enemy's bowsprit however came over the Bon homme Richard's poop by the mizzen mast and I made both ships fast together in that situation which by the action of the wind on the enemy's sails forced her stern close to the Bon homme Richard's bow so that the ships lay square alongside of each other the yards being all entangled and the cannon of each ship touching the opponent's side When this position took place it was 8 o'clock, previous to which the Bon homme Richard had received sundry eighteen pounds shot below the water and leaked very much My battery of 12 pounder on which I had placed my chief dependence, being commanded by Lieut Dale and Col Weibert and manned principally with American seamen and French volunteers were entirely silenced and abandoned As to the six old eighteen pounders that formed the battery of the lower gun deck, they did no service whatever Two out of three of them burst at the first fire and killed almost all the men who were stationed to manage them Before this time too Col de Chamillard who commanded a party of 20 soldiers on the poop had abandoned that station after having lost some of his men These men deserted their quarters I had now only two pieces of cannon nine pounders on the quarter deck that were not silenced and not one of the heavier cannon was fired during the rest of the action The purser Mr Mease who commanded the guns on the quarter deck being dangerously wounded in the head I was obliged to fill his place and with great difficulty rallied a few men and shifted over one of the lee quarter deck guns so that we afterward played three pieces of 9 pounders upon the enemy The tops alone seconded the fire of this little battery and held out bravely during the whole of the action especially the main top where Lieut Stack commanded I directed the fire of one of the three cannon against the main mast with double headed shot while the other two were exceedingly well served with grape and canister shot to silence the enemy's musketry and clear her decks which was at last effected The enemy were as I have since understood on the instant of calling for quarter when the cowardice or the treachery of three of my under officers induced them to call to the enemy The English commodore asked me if I demanded quarter and I having answered him in the most determined negative they renewed the battle with double fury They were unable to stand the deck but the fire of their cannon especially the lower battery which was entirely formed of 18 pounders was incessant Both ships were set on fire in various places and the scene was dreadful beyond the reach of language To account for the timidity of my three under officers—I mean the gunner the carpenter, and the master at arms—I must observe that the two first were slightly wounded and as the ship had received various shots under water and one of the pumps being shot away, the carpehter expressed his fear that she would sink and the other two concluded that she was sinking, which occasioned the gunner to run aft on the poop without my knowledge to strike the colors Fortunately for me, a cannon ball had done that before by carrying away the ensign staff He was therefore reduced to the necessity of sinking as he supposed, or of calling for quarter and he preferred the latter

All this time the Bon homme Richard had sustained the action alone and the enemy, though much superior in force would have been very glad to have got clear, as appears by their own acknowledgements and by their having let go an anchor the instant that I laid them on board, by which means they would have escaped had I not made them well fast to the Bon homme Richard

At last at half past 9 o'clock, the Alliance appeared, and I now thought the battle at an end, but, to my utter astonishment, he discharged a broadside full into the stern of the Bon homme Richard We called to him for God's sake to forbear firing into the Bon homme Richard, yet he passed along the off side of the ship and continued firing There was no possibility of his mistaking the enemy ship for the Bon homme Richard, there being the most essential difference in their appearance and construction, besides, it was then full moonlight, and the sides of the Bon homme Richard were all black while the sides of the prizes were yellow, yet, for the greater security I showed the signal of our reconnoissance by putting out three lanterns, one at the head (bow), another at the stern (quarter), and the third in the middle in a horizontal line Every tongue cried that he was firing into the wrong ship, but nothing availed He passed round, firing into the Bon homme Richard's head stern and broadside, and by one of his volleys killed several of my best men and mortally wounded a good officer on the forecastle My situation was really deplorable The Bon homme Richard received various shot under water from the Alliance the leak gained on the pumps and the fire increased much on board both ships Some officers persuaded me to strike, of whose courage and good sense entertained a high opinion My treacherous master at arms let loose all my prisoners without my knowledge and my prospect became gloomy indeed I would not however give up the point The enemy's main mast began to shake, their firing decreased, ours rather increased and the British colors were struck at half an hour past 10 o'clock

The prize proved to be the British ship of war the Serapis, a new ship of 44 guns built on their most approved construction, with two complete batteries one of them of 18 pounders and commanded by the brave Commodore Richard Pearson I had yet two enemies to encounter far more formidable than the Britons —I mean fire and water The Serapis was attacked only by the first, but the Bon homme Richard was assailed by both There were five feet of water in the hold, and, though it was moderate from the explosion of so much gunpowder, yet the three pumps that remained could with difficulty only keep the water from gaining The fire broke out in various parts of the ship in spite of all the water that could be thrown to quench it and at length broke out as low as the powder magazine and within a few inches of the powder In that dilemma I took out the powder upon deck ready to be thrown overboard at the last extremity, and it was ten o'clock the next day the 24th, before the fire was entirely extinguished With respect to the situation of the Bon homme Richard, the rudder was cut entirely off the stern frame, and the transoms were almost entirely cut away, the timbers, by the lower deck especially from the mainmast to the stern being greatly decayed with age were mangled beyond my power of description, and a person must have been an eye witness to form a just idea of the tremendous scene of carnage wreck and ruin that everywhere appeared Humanity cannot but recoil from the prospect of such finished horror and lament that war should produce such fatal consequences

After the carpenters as well as Capt de Cottineau and other men of sense had well examined and surveyed the ship (which was not finished before five in the evening) I found every person to be convinced that it was impossible to keep the Bon homme Richard afloat so as to reach a port if the wind should increase, it being then only a very moderate breeze I had but little time to remove my wounded, which now became unavoidable, and which was effected in the course of the night and next morning I was determined to keep the Bon homme Richard afloat and if possible to bring her into port For that purpose the first lieutenant of the Pallas continued on board with a party of men to attend the pumps with boats in waiting ready to take them on board in case the water should gain on them too fast The wind augmented in the night and the next day on the 25th, so that it was impossible to prevent the good old ship from sinking They did not abandon her till after 9 o'clock The water was then up to the lower deck and a little after ten I saw with inexpressible grief the last glimpse of the Bon homme Richard No lives were lost with the ship but it was impossible to save the stores of any sort whatever I lost even the best part of my clothes, books and papers, and several of my officers lost all their clothes and effects

THE FIRST COFFEE ADVERTISEMENT

The Public Advertiser, a London Weekly dated May 26th, 1657, contains the first advertisement of coffee to appear in any newspaper, as far as known. This ad is a genuine literary curio.

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PROGRESS AT MANY POINTS IS CLAIMED

FRENCH REPORT TELLS OF MINOR GAINS ALL ALONG LINE

GERMANS USE MINE THROWERS

Employ Them Effectively at Several Points—Further Gains In Alsace Reported

By Associated Press

Paris, Jan 8—The French war office gave out an official statement this afternoon as follows

"The artillery of the enemy showed, during all the day of January 7 great activity in Belgium and in the vicinity of Arras The French artillery responded spiritedly and efficaciously Our infantry made some progress at Lombaertzyde We occupied at a point 50 yards in advance of our trenches a hillock which had been held by the enemy To the east of St. Georges we gained ground and we inflicted serious damage on the trenches of the enemy in the vicinity of Steenstraate

"In the sector of Arras at the forest of Berthonval, without being attacked, we were compelled to evacuate certain trenches where our men were up to their shoulders in sand and water. To the west of Boiselle our line of trenches has been moved forward and we occupied the road from Boiselle to Avelny In the valley of the Aisne the artillery exchanges yesterday were quite spirited Our heavy artillery secured good results near Blanc Sablon At this point the mine throwers of the enemy inflicted losses on us but in the afternoon we checked this from the Germans

"In the sector of Rheims to the west of the forest Des Zouaves we blew up a block house and occupied a new trench 200 yards in advance of our lines. The artillery engagements between Betheny and Prunay were conducted yesterday with great fierceness The Germans left many dead on the field Our losses were not heavy Between Jonchery sur Suitt and Souain we time and again reduced to silence the artillery of the enemy, demoralized his trenches and destroyed his breastworks

"In the Argonne to the west of Haute Chevauche the enemy by means of a mine blew up some of our first line trenches which were completely demolished A violent attack undertaken by the enemy on our positions was repulsed with the bayonet We took some prisoners and maintained our front except for a distance of 80 yards Here the demolishment of the trenches obliged us to establish our line 20 yards further back On the heights of the Meuse and between the Meuse and the Moselle there is nothing to report Here the wind blew a tempest all day long on January 7

"Our offensive continued yesterday in the region of Thann and near Altkirch and brought important results We reoccupied the trenches on the eastern flank of Hill 42 a position where the enemy two days ago succeeded in establishing himself We then gained some ground to the east of those trenches

Further to the south we reoccupied Barnhauptle-Haut and at the same time we made progress in the direction of Pont D Aspach and Ahalberg The artillery of the enemy which had endeavored without success to reach our batteries gave up shooting at our artillery in favor of the exclusive bombardment of the hospital at Thann which has been evacuated

APPOINTMENTS MADE BY CONTROLLER ELECT

By Associated Press

Austin Texas Jan 8 H B Terrell controller elect returned today from Waco and announced that I P Record, former county clerk of Dallas county to whom has been tendered the position of chief warrant clerk in the department has declined The position has been filled but not as yet announced Mr Terrell also announced that Briggs Reagor of Ennis Ellis county who had been tendered the position of assistant tax clerk had also declined and B M Grafton of Avalon Ellis county had been appointed and had accepted Mr Terrell had nothing to say as yet to replies he is receiving from members of the legislature relative to assisting him in getting the Allison law amended

GIRL'S LEG IS BROKEN IN MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT

Fae Colthorp of Goree Sustains Serious Injury While Visiting Relatives Here

Miss Fae Colthrop aged about ten years was struck by a motorcycle while crossing Ohio avenue on Eighth street late yesterday afternoon and her left leg was broken just above the ankle The little girl is the daughter of Mrs M Colthrop of Goree and had stopped off here for a visit with Mrs Gregg at 904 Indiana avenue while en route to East Texas points She is now at the home of Mrs Gregg where she is resting easily The name of the rider of the motorcycle could not be obtained by The Times this afternoon

VILLA-CARRANZA BATTLE AT SALTILLO

FIGHT OPENS IN MEXICAN TOWN EARLY THIS MORNING

CONVENTION ARMY BESIEGING

Is Pouring in Fire From Mountains After Enemy Enters City Through Trick

By Associated Press

Laredo Texas Jan 8—An attack on Villa troops in Saltillo was begun by about 1500 constitutionalists troops about 1 o'clock this morning Early reports from the battle said hundreds already had been killed or wounded The Carranza forces were attacking from mountains about the city and were pouring in a fire from fifteen cannon

The Villa troops occupied Saltillo two days ago by a trick without a fight The Carranza forces there under General Antonio Villareal had evacuated the city to proceed against Villa forces which they met and defeated at Laprisa and Marte Mean while however another Villa force had marched through the mountains to the southeast of Saltillo entering and capturing the city

The Carranza army returned in force this morning Reports at noon from Carranza sources claimed that the advantage lay with the besiegers but with the battle still raging

CITY COURT VERY DULL, FEW CASES ARE DOCKETED

Marked Falling Off In Number of Intoxication Charges Has Been Noted

Since the holidays business has fallen off greatly in the city court Yesterday there was not a single case of intoxication docketed This morning there were only two cases docketed Most of the cases that have been docketed in the past few days have been for speeding or for vagrancy

The officers are making an effort to clean male characters of an undesirable from the flat district The vagrancy statute has been called into operation to bring about this result

Market Reports

New York Cotton

By Associated Press

New York, Jan 8—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of one to four points in response to relatively steady Liverpool cables and there seemed to be some New Orleans buying After showing net gains of 11 to 16 points the market eased off slightly during the middle of the afternoon under realizing Cotton futures closed steady January 7.89 March 8.05 May 8.1 July 8.17 October 8.73

Fort Worth Live Stock

By Associated Press

Fort Worth Texas Jan 8—Cattle receipts 2700 steady Beeves 5.50 to 8.7 Hog receipts 400 fifteen to twenty cents lower bulk 6.75 to 7.15 Sheep receipts 125 steady Lambs 7.50 to 8.8

Kansas City Grain

By Associated Press

Kansas City Jan 8—Cash wheat No 2 hard 1.1 to 1.24 No 2 red 1 to 1.22 1.2 Corn No 2 mixed 70 to 70 1.2 Oats No 2 white 5 to 55

Chicago Futures

By Associated Press

Chicago Jan 8 Wheat prices today reached a half dollar higher a bushel above what they were at beginning of the war Increasing danger that Italy would open hostilities gave reason for a general rush of buying The opening was 7.8 to 1 higher Corn advanced with wheat It opened 1.8 to 1.4 to 1.8 to 1.2 up Shorts in oats took heed of the rise of other grains Wheat closed unsettled Corn closed nervous Closing Wheat May 1.40 7.8 July 1.26 1.8 Corn May 76 7.8 July 77 1.4 Oats May 56 1.8 July 1.4 1.8

JAPANESE RED CROSS IS ON EN ROUTE TO EUROPE

By Associated Press

Tokio Jan 8—The Japanese Red Cross corps which is going to France left Yokohama by the steamer Fushimi Maru December 16 The corps consists of Dr Shioda Professor of the Imperial University who is the chief of the medical staff Dr Mogi and Okl about fifteen nurses and a few pharmacists Landing at Marseilles, the party will go to Bordeaux

JITNEY BUS" MAY HAVE SURE ENOUGH OPPOSITION

Special to The Times

Austin Texas Jan 8 Privately owned motor trucks which have been doing a passenger business along the same streets and for the same fares as the street car system are now threatened with opposition of a determined course The street car company is planning to run motor cars also believing that the public prefers them to street cars However the operators of the jitney buses as the trucks are called are still doing well One of them is operating a Wichita truck, made in Wichita Falls, Texas

MUCH UNEASINESS IN CONSTANTINOPLE

INTERNAL DISORDERS ARE NOW FEARED BY AUTHORITIES

PREPARED TO MOVE CAPITAL

Seat of Government May Be Changed To Adrianople—Conditions Declared Alarming

By Associated Press

Sofia, Bulgaria via London, Jan 8—Dispatches from Constantinople describe the situation in the Turkish capital as increasingly alarming The local authorities appear to apprehend not only attacks from the outside but internal disorders as well

The archives of the state have been packed up ready for removal from the city and many already have been sent away Preparations have been completed also for the removal of the treasury Locomotives are kept constantly under steam in the railroad yards at Stamboul to meet the possible necessity of conveying the officials of the government to a place of safety at short notice

Preparations have been made at Adrianople for the quartering of the state officials should eventualities cause the Porte to decide to leave the present capital,

43 GERMAN SPIES FOUND AMONG CANADIAN TROOPS

Had Enlisted with Others Last Fall According to Man Back From Europe

By Associated Press

New York Jan 7—Charles Walter an attorney of Toronto Canada said today on returning from England said 4 German spies had been arrested among the Canadian contingent of troops which sailed to England last fall One of the 43, according to Walters was killed by the members of the company in which he had enlisted when the charge was made that he was a German spy The other 42 according to Walter, had been locked up What was done with them afterward he did not know

NORMAL SCHOOL IS WANTED SOMEWHERE IN SOUTH TEXAS

Special to The Times

Corpus Christi Texas Jan 8—Delegates from a number of South Texas towns will meet here tomorrow to prepare for submitting to the legislature a plan for establishing a state normal school in this section of the State This section of the State has no normal school nearer than San Marcos which is hundreds of miles from the counties that will be represented here

BURLESON WILL URGE WILSON TO VISIT TEXAS

Special to The Times

Austin Texas Jan 8 Postmaster General Burleson said while here recently that he would use every means in his power to induce President Wilson to include Austin Dallas and other Texas points on his itinerary next spring Every effort will be made to bring the chief executive to this State

OKLAHOMA LEGISLATORS WILL BE BANQUET GUESTS

By Associated Press

Oklahoma City Okla Jan 8—Local business men under the leadership of Major H W Pentecost will give a banquet here tonight to members of the legislature and state officials Among the prominent public men expected to attend were Gov Cruce and Gov-elect Williams

STATE SENATOR WATSON NOW ACTING GOVERNOR

Special to The Times

Austin Texas Jan 8—When Gov Colquitt crossed the state line yesterday afternoon into Louisiana Quintus Watson, state senator from Giddings automatically became acting governor of Texas The state now has no regularly chosen lieutenant governor Will H Mayes having resigned that position to become professor of journalism at the State University The next in succession was the president pro tem of the Senate which was Senator Watson The acting governor is here and on the job He is well known in Texas politics having been one of the staunch members of the anti-prohibition faction for many years,

BASEBALL FAN'S MEETING IS TO BE HELD TONIGHT

The meeting of baseball fans which it is hoped will result in Wichita Falls being reinstated in the Texas Oklahoma League will be held at 8 o'clock tonight in the office of C W Bean The meeting was to have been held last night but it was decided late yesterday to postpone it, several of those interested being unable to attend All fans and others who want to see Wichita Falls back on the baseball map are urged to attend

ALLEGE ATROCITIES AGAINST PRIESTS

MEMBERS OF BELGIUM CLERGY DECLARED VICTIMS OF GERMAN ACTS

REPORT MADE PUBLIC TODAY

Numerous Specific Instances Are Cited—Many Priests Alleged to Have Been Killed

By Associated Press

London Jan 8—A list of alleged atrocities against Belgian priests was announced today by the official information bureau at the request of the Belgian legation here Priests were hanged or shot in four dioceses the report said The following instances are given

August 27 An American and a Spanish priest among a group of civilians were dragged about from place to place today and insulted and threatened with military execution They were taken to the church at Campenhout and shut up for the night

August 21 The priest of Deuchen an invalid 87 years old was accused by the Germans of having fired on them he was arrested hoisted on a cannon tossed into a ditch tortured and shot A witness deposes that he saw the priest Gelrode brought into Aershot August 24 with three wounded men The Germans said he was an English spy and took him to the town hall The following day they beat him with rifle butts and then on the Demer bridge they shot him and cast his body into the river

A Priest makes the following deposition August 2 German soldiers swarmed into the village of Schaffen and began to burn and pillage on the pretense that shots had been fired on them 130 houses were burned 2 civilians murdered The German maltreated me in every way, they created a gallows on which they said they proposed to hang me they thrust me into a house which was on fire but dragged me out again they sent me off and at a distance of 200 yards began shooting at me I fell and pretended to be dead and so escaped

Continuing the statement says the commission of inquiry collected evidence that in the diocese of Malines alone 26 priests were killed without cause Similar atrocities occurred in other dioceses In the Liege diocese ten priests were killed The priest of Spontin was first hung up by the feet and then by the hands and pierced with bayonets In the diocese of Tournai three were shot

POULTRY ASSOCIATION TO HOLD MEETING TOMORROW

Additional Officers To Be Chosen and Plans For Coming Show Discussed

Two vice president and two members of the board of directors are to be elected at the second meeting of the North Texas Poultry Association at the city hall tomorrow afternoon The meeting will be held at three o'clock Further plans for the poultry show to be held here January 21 and 2 will also be discussed

T E Cannedy the secretary reports that a number of applications for membership have come in since the meeting Monday night The association he says wants as large a membership as it can get and all of those interested in poultry breeding are invited to join

The prize list for the show is now being made up and many merchants have already pledged donations of special prizes

MANY SALOON APPLICATIONS AWAIT NEW CONTROLLER

Special to The Times

Austin Texas Jan 8 An unusually large number of saloon license applications will be awaiting H B Terrell the new controller when he assumes office week after next The present controller W P Lane has been refusing a large number of applications and most of these apiplicants will renew their efforts when the new controller takes office Under the lawful apportionment Texas will have about 2250 saloons this year so far 2100 licenses have been issued

LARGE LOANS MADE HERE WITHIN PAST FEW WEEKS

English Concern Has Placed Over $200,000 Available In Spite of War

Fears that were entertained for some time that capital from the nations at war in Europe would be withdrawn from American investments appear to have been greatly exaggerated if loans made here within the past few weeks may be taken as an indication

An English loan company through local agents within the past few weeks has made loans aggregating more than $200,000 Practically all of these loans have been new ones

PRELIMINARY NOTE ISSUED BY ENGLAND

ANSWERS UNITED STATES DEMANDS AS TO SHIPPING INTERFERENCE

WILL MAKE FULL REPLY LATER

Note is Given Ambassador Page and at Once Forwarded to This Country

By Associated Press

London Jan 8—Ambassador Page today received from the British government the preliminary reply to the American note protesting against British interference with American shipping He forwarded it immediately to Washington

The time of the delivery of a more definite supplementary reply which the British government is to make is uncertain It possibly will be within two weeks

Further negotiations between the two governments concerning specific cases of detention of American vessels will precede the preparation of the final British answer

TWO LARGE PARK TRACTS ARE DONATED TO DALLAS

Special to The Times

Dallas Texas Jan 8—Two suburban tracts one of 82 acres the other of 22 acres have been given the city of Dallas for parks one being presented by J F Strickland and the other by Oscar Goodwin These gentlemen are president and vice president respectively of the Southern Traction Company

HOUSTON GIRL GRADUATES TO MAKE OWN DRESSES

Special to The Times

Houston Texas Jan 8—The girl members of the midyear graduating class of sixty two at the Houston high school have agreed to wear dresses made by themselves when they receive their diplomas Many of them are members of the domestic science department in the high school and have had ample instruction in sewing which will now serve them well

DENTISTS WANT RECOGNITION ON STATE HEALTH BOARD

Special to The Times

Dallas Texas Jan 8—A movement has been started by several local dentists looking to the appointment of a dentist on the state board of health They believe that this will tend to keep incompetents from embarking in the profession of denistry and contend that their branch of the medical profession is of sufficient importance to justify such recognition

FOUR YEAR OLD WAS GOING TO BE A SOLDIER

Special to The Times

Houston Texas Jan 8—Where are you going little man? a man asked four year old Dorcece Gill when he saw the infant proudly marching up Preston Avenue a soldiers hat on his head and a toy gun on his shoulder

I'm a soldier and I'm going to war replied Dorcece without admitting that it was any of the stranger's business The man returned the young militant to his home four miles away on Washington Avenue

WILSON INDORSEMENT RECEIVES 208 SIGNATURES

Special to The Times

Mineral Wells Texas Jan 8—A resolution heartily indorsing the Wilson administration and censuring Gov Colquitt for his criticism of the president was circulated in this city recently and after receiving 208 signatures was forwarded to Washington

DALLAS LAWYERS' CONDUCT IS TO BE INVESTIGATED

Special to The Times

Dallas Texas Jan 8—Some alleged practices of local attorneys are to be probed by the grand jury which has been convened in the district court over which Judge R B Seay presides He charges that both the ethics of the legal profession and the law are being violated and asks the grand jurors to probe the matter thoroughly One cause of complaint it is said, is the practice of ambulance-chasing

ALAMO SCHOOL PRINCIPAL RESIGNS TO PRACTICE LAW

P O Settle To Join Houston Firm—R D Coley of DeLeon Chosen To Succeed Him

P O Settle for the past two terms principal of the Alamo school has resigned and will leave in a few days to take up the study of law with a prominent Houston law firm R D Coley of DeLeon who is highly recommended and is well equipped for the place has been appointed to succeed him and will start his work here Monday

Mr Settle has given the best of satisfaction here but for some time has been planning a connection with the Houston law firm Conditions arose that gave him an opening with it immediately and several days ago he tendered his resignation which was accepted

SIEGE WARFARE PREVAILS UPON BOTH BATTLE LINES

Germans Appear Unable To Progress Any Further Toward Warsaw

ARMY OF 1,000,000 FOR SUPREME EFFORT

Russian Invasion Of Bukowina Continues And Carpathian Advance Threatens To Be Momentous

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 8.—Aside from the continued Russian pursuit of the Turkish forces defeated in the Caucasus and the continuation of the Russian advance through the passes of the Carpathian mounatins siege warfare with intermittent artillery duels seem for the moment to prevail almost everywhere in the area of hostilities, in the eastern arena as well as in the western. The reports reaching London show that General Von Hindenburg, the German commander in Poland for some time past has made no appreciable progress toward Warsaw, the mud of Poland having evidently done for him what the broken dykes and the resultant inundations did for the Germans in western Flanders.

A dispatch coming to London from Copenhagen declares Von Hindenburg is expecting heavy reinforcements and that with an army of 1,000,000 men he proposes to make one more supreme effort to break through to the Polish capital. The Russians would appear to have had ample time to reinforce themselves and to strengthen their positions around Warsaw and it is the opinion of British observers that the trench warfare for which the western theatre of the war has become famous will be waged in the region of the Polish rivers.

Austria-Hungary again admits the retirement of her forces in Bukowina and it is from this Russian forward movement, before which the Austrians are giving way that the most spectacular developments of the next fortnight may be expected to spring according to the opinion held today by some British observers of the war. The argument is made that once Russia gets a foothold beyond the mountain passes, something that may be accomplished in a fortnight if the Russians are not checked, a big stride toward the over-running of Hungary would have been made. If this is accomplished it will be the first considerable invasion of any territory of the Teutonic allies.

IMMIGRATION MEASURE IS NOW IN CONFERENCE

House Has Vigorous Discussion of Amendments Made To Bill By Senate

Washington Jan 8 The immigration bill prescribing a test of literacy for aliens coming into this country was sent to a conference committee of the House and Senate by the House after a vigorous debate over the amendments written into the measure by the Senate

Before sending the bill to conference the House registered its disagreement to the Senate amendments excluding members of the African or black race and exempting from the literacy test and the contract immigration provisions of the law Belgian agricultural immigrants coming to this country because of conditions caused by the European war Both of these amendments caused protracted discussion which kept the House busy throughout the day's session The negro exclusion amendment was defeated 22 to and the Belgian exemption without a division Representative Cullop (Indiana) sought unsuccessfully to broaden the exception in order to admit not only farmers but industrial workers from Belgium and Representative Gallagher (Illinois) proposed to extend the exemption to farmers from Poland

The House conferees in opposing amendment that to exclude all persons of constitutional psychopathic inferiority and persons suffering with chronic alcoholism

Much of the debate was against the literacy test provision despite the fact that this already had been agreed to by both Houses Representative Gallivan (Massachusetts) made an effort to obtain another vote on the proposition but was ruled out of order

COUNTY PROSECUTORS MUST WATCH LIQUOR VIOLATIONS

By Associated Press

Austin Texas, Jan 8—The attorney generals department has ruled that this department will not take the initiative in prosecuting alleged violators of the Allison Liquor Law jurisdiction over such violators resting with county and district attorneys The department points out that it is a violation of the law for a transportation company to carry intoxicating liquor into dry territory unless such liquor is for personal use This is the interpretation placed on the law by the Court of Criminal appeals this court however holds a little further and holds that liquor may be shipped into dry territory or carried in dry territory provided such shipment is not for any illegal purpose The attorney generals department made this statement in reply to numerous reports being received of violations of the Allison law

BEAUTIFUL SHADE TREES ARE SACRIFICED TO WAR

By Associated Press

Dunkirk France Jan 8 There is one feature incidental to the winter warfare which will grieve all those who love to tour the old French country roads The long lines of beautiful trees which convert these into shady avenues are being sadly damaged The need of firewood is very pressing and as there is no coal available the trees are being ruthlessly sacrificed

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CHARGE AGAINST COOK IS DISMISSED

OIL MAN WHO FOUGHT REQUISITION IS FREED IN INDIANA

ATTRACTED MUCH ATTENTION

Case is Promptly Settled In His Favor, However, When He is Taken Back

W. M. Cook, the oil man whose resistance of requisition from Indiana attracted considerable attention several weeks ago, is back from Hartford City where he was taken by an Indiana deputy sheriff, has returned to Wichita Falls, the charge of abandonment against him in Indiana having been dismissed.

The dismissal of the case followed within a few days after Mr. Cook's return to Indiana and he left there soon afterwards stopping at Muskogee, Okla., to look after business matters on his return here.

Mr. Cook bore an excellent reputation among those with whom he had dealings here and his friends have been glad to learn that the charge against him in Indiana has been dismissed.

TEXAS GOVERNMENT COSTS DOLLAR AND SIX BITS EACH

Per Capita Expense is $1.75 According To Calculation Made at Austin

Special to The Times.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 8.—It costs a dollar and six-bits, on an average for every man, woman and child in Texas to run this State government. This is the calculation made by A. L. Love, state tax commissioner. As compared with other states, this per capita figure is quite low Accurate data on the difference between the efficiency of other State governments and that of Texas, however, is not given. Mr. Love's figures and analysis thereof are as follows.

"Without going into detail as to the various items, the total disbursement from the general revenue of the State for the fiscal years ending Aug. 31, 1913 and Aug 31, 1914, was approximately $6,000,000 and $7,000,000, respectively, with amounts included the deficiency appropriation for the penitentiary system and all other deficiencies.

"The cost of our State government is very low in comparison with that of other States. The North Dakota tax commission, in its report for 1913 has compiled a list of representative State governments exclusive of the aid given to public schools. This list is as follows:

"North Dakota, $3.89; South Dakota, $2.40; Arizona, $7.08; California $5.66; Montana, $5.40; Nevada, $8.92; New York, $7 44; Washington, 4.03; Wisconsin, $4.43.

"The population of Texas at this time is in excess of 4,000,000 and even if the disbursements for the last year included no deficiencies, the per capita most of our State government for said time would not exceed $1.75 which is very little more than 50 per cent of the expenditures of the State in the above list having the lowest per capita cost. In a number of States the cost of the State government, exclusive of the aid given the public schools, exceeds $7 per capita."

PROHIBITION FOR IDAHO URGED BY NEW GOVERNOR

Would Have State Enter Dry Column at Same Time as Oregon and Washington

By Associated Press.

Boise, Idaho, Jan 8.—Governor Moses Alexander in his first message to the legislature of Idaho, which convened Wednesday, declared in favor of statewide prohibition by legislative enactment in order that Idaho go "dry" at the same time as Oregon and Washington, under constitutional amendment.

CATTLE EXPORTS FROM MEXICO STOPPED BY VILLA

Special to The Times.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 8.—A shortage of cattle in Mexico has caused General Villa to issue an order prohibiting further exports to the United States. The decree has resulted in putting a number of firms which have been making a specialty of this trade practically out of business. He contends that Mexico needs all of her beef at home.

Ponce de Leon Failed; His Prize Is Found

Ponce de Leon, the daring explorer, searched among the swamps of Florida for the Fountain of Youth, which the Indians said would restore power and make people young He did not find it.

Thousands of chronic intestinal, bowel and stomach sufferers have written to Geo H. Mayr, 154 Whiting St., Chicago, in quest of health. They have found it. His remedy, composed of healing vegetable oils from France, has indeed given them back the health of youth.

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Fooshee & Lynch and druggists everywhere.

METZ STRONGHOLD IN MANY CAMPAIGNS

FORTRESS IN LORRAINE HAS OFTEN BEEN SCENE OF CONFLICT

DATES BACK TO DAYS OF ROME

Never Taken By Besiegers Until Germans Successfully Attacked It in 1870

Washington, Jan. 8.—The National Geographic Society has just prepared the following statement concerning Metz, the objective of the French invasion of Lorraine:

"The fortress of Metz from Roman days has never been carried by storm Throughout history down to 1870 it successfully defied all besiegers, and the French in 1870 surrendered to famine and disease rather than to a pressing enemy. This almost impregnable fortress has changed hands now and again, and these changes have been effected by treaty and treachery and famine, but never by force of arms. The Romans knew Metz, Divordurum, as 'the stronghold of the gods.'

"Metz is the capital of German Lorraine, and it is considered to possess one of the most powerful fortifications in Europe. It is the pivot point in the broken frontier dividing the Franks, Celts and Gauls of the west and south from the Germans of the east and north. The centuries-long contest between Latin and German has surged back and forth over this city, broken in eddies around it, and the contestants have continually regrouped with Metz as the central point in the plans of their opposing strategies; for Metz is the most important key in the barrier between Latin and Germanic civilizations. Metz and Strasburg are the two western gates to Germany.

How Romans Used Town

"The Romans used Metz as their northern base against the German barbarians, and they connected it by military roads with Toul, Verdun, and other camps in Roman hinterland. From Metz, the Roman legions made their incursions into the impenetrable Black Forest, in the east, and into the forest and swamp lands of the north and west. By the treaty of Mersen, in 870—Metz came into the possession of East Franconia, now Germany. It rapidly gained importance as an industrial and outpost city, and in the 13th century, was made a free imperial city The Reformation, another element of the Latin-German struggle, raged around Metz as a center. During these times of religious unrest, Metz fell into the power of France, and the French were confirmed in their possession by the Peace of Westphalia (1648). It remained under the French rule until the German conquest of 1876.

"The country all about Metz is strategic, and, consequently, forbidden ground. Tourists, with pronounced camera tendencies have never been encouraged around the fortress. The city lies in a fertile, pleasant valley, which widens out among the hills to the north and which narrows toward the mountainous French frontier. It is upon the heights, the craggy hills, the passes, the gorge-broken, fir-covered, razor-back spur hills that the powerful detached forts which guard the city of Metz and its valley running between France and Germany are planted. These works have been constructed around the city by the score, and they stretch in a wide, concealed fan, more than six miles before the outskirts of Metz.

Atmosphere is Military

"The city itself is situated on the confidence of the Seille and Moselle, about eleven miles east of the French frontier. It is built between the two rivers and upon the islands of the Moselle. Much of the city is composed of narrow, irregular streets, lined with ancient, picturesque buildings. There are some new and imposing structures in the town, however, and some straight streets. Even in times of peace, Metz makes plain that its calling is war. Through it has about 75,000 civil population, the peace garrison of 25,000 men monopolize the attention on every thoroughfare and promenade Around the city, and within it are the huge barracks of the soldiery.

"The country around Metz, a rise and fall of evergreen woodlands, is beautiful. The heights and hills are not only heavily forested, but are also unusually broken and irregular, composing a ground about as unfavorable as possible for attacking military operations The forts of Metz were begun on a large scale by the French, and they have been strengthened through all their years of possession by the Germans."

MEXICAN OIL SITUATION IS DECLARED VERY SERIOUS

Special to The Times.

Galveston, Texas, Jan 8—The oil situation in Mexico is disrupted and demoralized by the continual strife in that republic according to Charles E. Alexander of that country, who is now in this city As a result oil shipments from Mexico ports are being rushed with all possible expedition before the situation becomes still more acute.

"The oil companies have weathered revolution after revolution," he said "Now they are in the midst of one that is outclassing the others, that has greatly unsettled labor conditions, tht has made life cheap in Mexico"

In connection with this report, it has been learned authoritatively that virtually all of the larger companies that operate in the fields and who ship crude oil to Gulf Coast ports have ordered their steamships to get just as much oil as possible out of Mexico before a crisis comes that they are certain is one the way

In obedience to this order, six steamers have hurried crude oil shipments to Gulf ports within the last week and are planning to hurry back to get out more oil.

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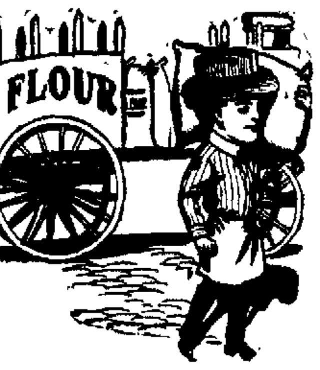

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Likewise the lessons which you taught—
Old Year perhaps we did not do
All times our very best for you

The New

New Year with joy we turn to greet
You with a welcome warm and sweet
May peace and plenty crown thy days
And win from all loves dearest praise
And may we subjects of thy reign
Live not thy days and months in vain

—W M Creveling

EPWORTH LEAGUERS AT WESTLAND THURSDAY

As the penalty for losing in the membership contest waged recently in the Epworth League of the M E Church South ,the Blues entertained the Reds Thursday evening at the Westland Hotel at Hearts Coupled with the hospitality of the losing side was that of Mr and Mrs Wyatt of the Westland and their daughter and son Miss Orveta and Stanley, who ably seconded the efforts of the young people in providing a evening of delightful entertainment The spacious dining hall was festooned with red hearts hanging from the walls and adorning the window draperies in keeping with the heart motif and paying tribute to the honorees in the color scheme Score cards for the game were heart shaped and prettily tinted with Kewpies and other fancies After a dozen or so games the score was counted and the high score souvenirs the ever favored Kewpie went to Miss Jewell Delaney and Caldwell Roberts A tempting salad course was served with bread and butter sandwiches tied with red ribbon olives tea and mints During the games a number of entertaining records were played on the Victrola The Blues proved themselves to be very delightful hosts and hostesses and the winners rejoiced very much in their good fortune Dr and Mrs A L Andrews the recently arrived pastor and wife added much to the pleasure of the evening by their presence Dr Andrews making the presentation speech when bestowing the favors of the game Those present were Misses Edith Slaten Beryl Murph Marion Crabtree Alta Ruffner Edna Doke Lila Andrews Laura Martin Dorothy Yeager Rhea Gardner Ila Cook Jewel Delaney Pauline Harris Pauline Mears, Lula Stokes Vina Hinckley Della Hinckley Cathleen Coffield, Iva Billard Virginia Andrews Mary Cotbed Helene Hines Cora Belle Miller Leonora Vinae Florence Barrier Adah Anderson Beth Trimble Hazel Jones, Hazel Robson Marie Shelton Willie Stafford Annette Coffield Orveta Wyatt Messrs Murrell Hooper, Ivan Harris Claude Ruffner Brown Cook Zeigler Frank Crowell Clyde Murph Robert Nolen Joe Stokes, E B Eddleman Caldwell Roberts, Travis Carter Gordon Harris Baldwin Montgomery, J. A. Harroll, Merle Wag[illegible] Leslie Millican Will Andrews, Clarence Dodge Stanley Wyatt Dr and Mrs A L Andrews Mrs Grace Higgins and Mr and Mrs Wyatt

MRS ORAN TAYLOR HOSTESS TO MARTHA WASHINGTON

The Martha Washington Club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs Oran Taylor The afternoon was spent with sewing and conversation and luncheon consisting of chicken sandwiches pickles cheese straws hot [illegible] juice and [illegible] was served to the following Mesdames M H Benton Clyde Avinette Chas Evans O [illegible] Hahl Paul Clark Chas Carter Misses [illegible] Bowersock Lillie Tal[illegible]chosky and the hostess Mrs Taylor

CIRCLE NO 2 OF M E SOUTH, ELECTS OFFICERS THURSDAY

Circle No 2 of the Woman's Missionary Society of the M E Church South met in called session Thursday afternoon at the church for the purpose of electing officers and planning the year's work A rather small crowd was in attendance but all were full of enthusiasm for the work and the officers elected were Mrs F M [illegible] Mrs Sam Scalling [illegible] secretary treasurer Mrs C B Felder assistant treasurer and collector

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR MISS ELINOR ALLEN WEDNESDAY

Mrs H A Allen entertained Wednesday afternoon for her daughter Elinor the occasion being her tenth birthday in Indiana in the honoree list Mrs O F Bacon whose birthday it also was and who played the games of the little girls with much enjoyment in spite of the difference in years Various games were played and contests held and the favorite contest of pinning the tail on the donkey was also engaged in The winner in this contest Miss Helen Snider receiving a smiling Kewpie as the prize The guests were invited into the dining room and the ceremony of cutting the birthday cake took place The dime was cut by little Miss Elizabeth Miller in the hunt for the favors The dining room was prettily decorated in Christmas effects and the table cover was embossed in holly and bell design The souvenirs of the most pleasant afternoon were small dolls placed at each cover Delicious ice cream was served with cake and candies The little hostess was the happy recipient of a number of pretty birthday remembrances from the guests who enjoyed very much the pleasure of celebrating Miss Elinor's and Mrs Bacon's birthday Those present Misses Ella Merle Mathis Judith Sherrod Elizabeth and Virginia Miller Elizabeth Carrigan Eula Mae Cook Kathrine Kilander Dorothy Bennett Hallie Adams Mary Blair Gay Gwynn Adele Marcus Helen Snider Frankie and Sarah Addickes Kathleen Lynch Cleta Mae Wilson Ida Baggett Frances Gerock and the little hostess Elinor Assisting Mrs Allen in entertaining was her son John

MRS. CULBERTSON ENTERTAINS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Thursday evening Mrs F W Culbertson entertained with a six o'clock dinner for the boys of her Sunday school class The dining table was [illegible] with a huge bowl of nasturtiums in scarlet and gold tones combined with ferns A delicious turkey dinner with all of the accompanying delicacies was served and the remainder of the evening spent with music both Victrola and piano and conversation Discussions as to ways of increasing interest in the Sunday school lesson were held and also the boys resolutions for the new year were given Those enjoying Mr and Mrs Culbertson's hospitality were Leslie Howard Frank Nicholson Lynn Campbell Allen Dutton Earl Shappell, Howard Rogers Alexander McKee George Ehrich Fred Ehrich

JONTE ROBERTS NUPTIALS AT TULSA THURSDAY

News of the marriage of Charles Jonte of this city and Miss Audrey Roberts of Tulsa Thursday was received Friday The marriage took place in Tulsa Dr Kerr of the First Presbyterian Church officiating Both young people are well known here the groom having resided here for a number of years and was a member of the firm of W C Jonte & Son His bride an unusually charming girl resided here for several years removing with her parents to Tulsa a little over a year ago Both young people are quite popular among the young people of the city and have many friends who will unite in congratulating them in their new estate Mr and Mrs Jonte will make their home in the city

MAYFLOWER 42 CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. D DELLIS

Mrs D Dellis was a very pleasant hostess Thursday afternoon entertaining the Mayflower 42 Club The usual number of games were played Mrs George Hurst scoring high and the hostess served a delicious course of creamed oysters in patty cases accompanied by a plate of luncheon dainties The guests present were Mesdames Kendig of Chickasha mother of the hostess Morris Crites and Miss Starnado Club members present were Mesdames Pradshaw Haskin Hurst Wilson Walker Hutson Stearns Langford Dobson and the hostess

SEW SO CLUB MEETS WITH MRS HARRY NAYLOR

Mrs Harry Naylor was hostess to the regular session of the Sew So Club Thursday afternoon Sewing and chatting were the diversions that helped the afternoon to pass away very pleasantly and the hostess served delicious sandwiches, pickles [illegible] and coffee The guests were Mesdames S I Naylor Ehlert Shamberger club members Mesdames Taylor Bewers Martin Urban Johnson Coffield and the hostess

The Musician Club Choral Department met in regular chorus practice Thursday afternoon New choruses were on hand for practice and a profitable hour was spent The regular program of the club will be carried out next Thursday with an hour of practice to precede

Mrs Frank Montgomery of Holliday is visiting her aunt Mrs J L Dobson

The U D C will meet Saturday afternoon with Mrs W H Cousins and Mrs Gus Wiltonz at the home of Mrs Cousins All members urged to attend

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FOLLOWS RECENT COMPLAINTS

Must Be Considered at Three Sessions Before Becoming Effective—Other Matters

If an ordinance placed on its first meeting before the city council last night goes into effect smoking on street cars will be entirely prohibited Two members of the council Bradley and Richolt voted against the ordinance on its first reading It will have to be voted on at three regular sessions before it is finally adopted and even then it must face the possibility of veto

The ordinance was introduced by Councilman Young and comes as the result of many complaints from ladies and others about tobacco smoke in the street cars Mr Young said that he himself rode downtown the other morning on the windward side of an eruption of cigarette smoke of such volume as would have made many ladies ill

The smoking ordinance was about the only enlivening feature of the meeting last night most of the time being taken up with checking the reports of the city officers for the last two months

Bids for the moving of the houses on the Seven Sisters block to the city's lots on Seventh street near the city farms were opened and the contract was let to A Drake at $149 for the entire job

Upon a motion by Councilman Reed it was voted to take out accident indemnity insurance on the men employed in the sewer works

SMALL HOUSE ON CANAL SCENE OF FIERCE FIGHTING

Is Captured From Germans By French After Severe Hand To Hand Encounter

By Associated Press

London Jan 8—The fight for Ferryman's House at Merckem on the Yser Canal provided one of the most stirring incidents of the recent fighting around Dixmude

Merckem is on the southern reach of the Yser a correspondent writes four miles or so east of the road to Ypres On the eastern side of the water is a house which on a good French road map may be found tagged Maison de Passeur—the Ferryman's House It is a relic no doubt of the days before the building of the narrow bridge that now spans the waters at this point

This bridge for some time had been a sort of no man's land It was commanded by heavy artillery on the French side and also by a machine gun battery on the German side The Germans occupied Ferryman House which they had turned into a small fort with their machine guns mounted at windows both up stairs and down

Neither side dared to destroy the bridge because each had hope to use it in an advance The French finally decided that things would be easier if the Germans were driven out of the neighborhood and he made his plans to surprise them The venture was a rather risky one because of the vigilance of the German sentries and because the position was so thoroughly dominated by the machine guns

The colonel in charge asked for volunteers and selected from those who offered an even four hundred men One hundred of them were African troops, who are always eager for any work of exceptional daring

Not long after midnight the detachment started out on their mission They were discovered when they reached the bridge and the German machine guns opened fire at the end of the bridge The French troops sprinted through the hail of shot despite heavy losses and a fair proportion of them reached the house in two or three minutes Then it was a hand to hand fight The German fought first from their covering walls outside but were shot down, bayonetted or knifed The garrison retreated indoors and to the outbuildings all of which had been loopholed for use in case of attack The door fell before an African's axe The French troops dashed in using bayonets only Across the ground floor and up the stairs the conflict continued until the only enemies remaining were a little group in the attic who surrendered when they saw that resistance was useless

The winning of Ferryman's House removed the most advanced German position in this region and gave the allies command of a most useful bridge The lieutenant who carried out the raid has been recommended for a decoration"

BLUE CROSS IS SEEKING TO SAVE LIVES OF HORSES

Trying To Cure Wounded Animals and Prevent Wanton Waste of Horses' Lives

By Associated Press

[illegible] Jan 8 The Blue Cross Fund is not [illegible] trying to alleviate the suffering of wounded horses but is to lessen the wastage of horse flesh in war In view of the fact that the four months fighting has drained [illegible] supply of horses the [illegible] is to the Blue Cross to save animals for further service

There have been established in France largely through the cooperation of the French government veterinary hospitals which are now caring for some 200 animals Three of these [illegible] hospitals are in Normandy and others at [illegible] Provence and [illegible] camp hospitals are also established at the front which look after animals suffering from overwork exposure and sickness as well as from wounds Prompt treatment has materially reduced the death rate

The Blue Cross Fund is an offshoot of the Dumb Friends League which corresponds to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of the American cities

ARTISTS AID SOCIETY IS ORGANIZED IN PARIS

Americans Studying There Take Steps To Provide For Those Less Fortunate

By Associated Press

Paris Jan 8 In order to refrain the sufferings of the indigent artists the Artists Aid Society has been formed here through American initiative Six canteens located throughout Paris daily serve over five hundred artists sculptors etchers and models *with food A charge of ten cents is* made to remove the idea of absolute charity, but many are daily served free of charge

A substantial contribution is received monthly from the National French Relief Society which after rigid investigation gave an unqualified indorsement to the work the artists society is doing Small monthly donations are also received from various artistic relief associations but thus far the bulk of monetary assistance has come from American sympathizers

RURAL CARRIERS WANT IMPROVEMENT OF ROADS

By Associated Press

Austin Texas Jan 8—Rural mail carriers of Travis county adopted resolutions memorializing the Thirty fourth legislature to declare to be in the first class all roads in the state over which the rural carriers travel in the daily distribution of mail This action was taken in order that such roads shall necessarily be repaired and improved Under present laws it is impossible for county commissioners to expend money in repairing county roads which have been declared of the first class but the roads must be first put in first class condition before being declared first class An effort is to be made to have all rural mail carriers throughout the state take similar action, to bring about the desired improvements

SAVES DAUGHTER

Advice of Mother no Doubt Prevents Daughter's Untimely End.

Ready, Ky—"I was not able to do anything for nearly six months," writes Mrs Laura Bratcher, of this place, "and was down in bed for three months.

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PLAN INAUGURAL BALL IN HALL OF REPRESENTATIVES

By Associated Press

Austin Texas Jan 8—Plans for the inaugural ball which is usually a feature of the beginning of the term of a new governor are going forward and it is planned to hold this function in the hall of representatives at the capitol as usual The 33rd legislature resolved against holding such affairs there but it is held that such a resolution was not binding upon subsequent legislatures and that the membership of the 34th will permit the use of the hall for dancing purposes

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Wichita Falls, Texas, January 8, 1915

Several business men of Dallas are following an example set them by some Wichitans, and are donating park tracts to the city.

Cotton prices are the lowest in many years. Wheat prices are the highest in years. Wichita county has 100,000 acres sown to wheat.

In the list of moving picture titles suggested by the Times yesterday it inadvertently overlooked the famous series entitled "The Outbursts of Oscar."

The battle of New Orleans was fought 100 years ago today. Let us hope it will be at least another 100 years before the United States and Great Britain will be forced to fight each other.

The Thirty-Fourth legislature is to convene next Tuesday, January 12th. The first business of importance that is to be settled is the speakership. There are two candidates: Williams and Woods. Williams is an anti on the prohibition question, and Woods is a pro. Both candidates are claiming they have enough votes of members pledged to elect them, and doubtless this is true, but members of the legislature don't always carry out their pledges. The pros have a majority, though somewhat smaller than in the last legislature, and looking at it that way, it would seem that Woods should be elected. The trouble, however, with the pros has been that hey elect candidates to the elgislature who say during the campaign they are pros, but after they get down to Austin, some of them find excuses to give to the anti candidates for speaker their vote. Our own guess is that the anti candidate for speaker is going to be elected.

The men who are doing the fighting in the European war, and who are making targets of themselves, really have nothing against their enemies. They are merely fighting because their rulers have told them to fight, and to disobey orders would mean death. As proof of this, on Christmas day a bunch of British and German soldiers, facing each other on the line of battle, were on good enough terms to engage in a game of football, and at the end of the game, without getting orders from their superior officers, declared a further truce of two days. This, it seems, is very common along the fighting line—so common, in fact, that it has been necessary for a general order to be issued prohibiting this fraternizing with the enemy. If left to the men in the fighting ranks that war would come to a speedy close. The rulers and the money lords of Europe, however will not permit this. The man who figured it out and come to the conclusion that this European war was brought about by greed and jealousy of the money makers was not far wrong.

Now that the city council is about to prohibit smoking on street cars it seems to the Times that some plan should be adopted to prevent the loss of the snipes of those who have a partially consumed cigar in their faces when the car comes. In times like these, efficiency and economy bar the loss of even part of a smoke and the Times suggests that a receptacle be provided on cars where such snipes may be interned until the end of the ride. This of course might cause some confusion when a number of snipes are deposited therein but this could be obviated by having the conductor issue snipe-checks to the smokers, giving each back his own snipe when he gets off the car. This would prevent regular cigars from getting mixed up with the denatured hemp variety and would also keep teh conductor from idling away his time. The Times is heartily in sympathy with the proposed ordinance; it is opposed to the filthy tobacco habit and fights it continually, destroying large quantities of the weed each day.

ANOTHER SAD CASE.

Our old friend, Governor Colquitt, has seceded again, says the New York World.

The Wilson administration is "the greatest failure in the history of the [illegible]." The Southern cotton growers have not made proper con[illegible] with the United States treas[illegible]. The new tariff robs the poor and enriches the [illegible]. The [illegible] of war won't [illegible] from the governor of Texas. The governor [illegible] the hands of the English cotton spinners. It is a wicked thing to respect the obligation of treaties, especially when the coastwise shipping monopoly wants free tolls at the expense of the American people. The anti-trust laws are 'bare-faced fakes,' and national bankers are telling the governor that the new banking and currency law "is going to prove a failure."

It is very, very sad, but it is especially sad in view of the fact that the governor of Texas "raised more than $10,000 for the Wilson campaign fund," and yet can not get a nickel's worth of satisfaction out of the administration.

We do not know what the governor can do about it, but he might try running for office in Texas on the Republican ticket. He is wholly in accord with Boss and Uncle Joe Cannon and since the Republican party bumped the colored brother there is no reason why a governor of Texas should not treat Republicans as social and political equals.

THE FRANK CASE.

Says the Memphis Commercial Appeal: "A detective went to Georgia, investigated the case and made up his mind that Frank was innocent. The detective's statement is knocked down because they say he did not point out who was guilty. This sort of reasoning would result in a man arrested being convicted of a crime unless he not only proved his innocence, but also found out who actually did the act." Editor Loyless of the Augusta Chronicle states that he believes Frank committed the crime. But he says further. "But we do not know it. We are not absolutely certain of it. There is in our own mind, as there is in the minds of thousands of others, that shadow of a doubt which would not permit us to see Leo Frank or any other man go to his death as long as that doubt exists." Here in America every man is presumed to be innocent until his guilt is clearly established in a court of competent jurisdiction. The trial judge, on a motion for a rehearing, said this: "I have given this question long consideration. It has given me more concern than any other case I was ever in, and I want to say right here, that, although I heard the evidence and arguments during those thirty days, I do not know this morning whether Leo Frank is innocent or guilty. But I was not the one to be convinced. The jury was convinced, and I feel it my duty to overrule the motion." Public opinion in all parts of the country says with emphasis that Leo Frank should not be hanged. Some say he should be released from custody. Others say he should be put in a felon's cell and await further developments. But all are agreed that he should not be put to death.—Waco Times-Herald.

BUYS TICKET HOME WITH 220 NICKELS

An aged woman in Fort Worth bought a ticket back to her old home with 220 nickels. Tremulously she took them out of the bag and laid them out on the lodge in front of the ticket window, and her dim old eyes watched the ticket seller as he carefully watched the ticket seller as he carefully counted them, fearful that he would find the nickels short. It requires very little imagination for one to look back over the days that have fled, and see the old woman toiling, stinting herself, starving her body, that her soul could feast upon the joyousness of Christmas back home with the girl or boy whom she loves so well, and maybe those sweet little grandchildren, who will climb upon her knees and twine their dimpled arms about her old wrinkled neck and cover her toil worn face with the pure kisses of innocent childhood. Let's hope that when she arrives at the coveted destination, that she finds there the love and the tender affection that her heart craves. How we long for love—the real kind in which there is no dissembling, the kind that is free from any tinge of selfishness, and after we have become gnarled and bent with the toil of fleeting years, how precious are the opportunities to sit in the corner by the fire with our grandchildren gathered about us, feeling that in their hearts is found that sweet interest born of pure love, a love due us for their happiness and comfort.—Cleburne Enterprise

CITY PLANNING SPECIALIST MAY VISIT WICHITA FALLS

The times has received the following:

The Civic League had a large and enthusiastic meeting in the home of Mrs. Hunter Tuesday afternoon; this meeting closing the contest for new members was unusually well attended. A number of committees were appointed to look after the several different departments of the civic work.

A hearty indorsement was given to the suggestion of one of our councilmen that we get Mr. Kessler, the city beautiful specialist to visit us. This is an age of specialists and the Civic League is anxious to get the best plans to work by. We can profit by the lesson we find in the conditions in Dallas and other places.

Mr. Kessler tells us that each city presents its own unique problems which must be worked out with carefully formulated plans. And, since in all cases certain fixed conditions can't be met a careful study is necessary, in order to harmonize the old with the new, and that he has found in many cases the clearing away and [illegible] represented much of the outlay.

Of course in dealing with existing conditions the financial considerations are of the utmost importance. Hence we see that it is not only more satisfactory but much cheaper in every way to do the right thing at first.

Since Wichita Falls has taken on the proportions of a city in a commercial way, let us get started right in providing parks and play grounds as well as establishing good sanitary laws and beautifying our homes, that we may make good the boast—of "the [illegible] Built [illegible]."

MRS. J. A. KEMP, President Civic

At The Churches

First Baptist Church
Roscoe C. Miller, Pastor.

The year just closed has been one of the very best. Last Sunday was a great day for the first Sunday of the New Year. We hope that every member of the church and Sunday School will try to be present each Sunday through the whole year. Regularity counts in all things. The Sunday School meets 9:30. Preaching by the pastor at 11:00. Subject, "What it Costs to be a Happy, Obedient, Useful Christian." Sunbeams at 3 at the church. Walnut Street Mission 3:00 p. m. Preaching at 7:30 by the Pastor. Subject "What it costs to be a sinner." B. Y. P. U. 6:30, Edgar Carney, president. Woman's Alliance Monday 3:00. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30. This church was built for the glory of God and good of men. Everyone welcome. Traveling men and strangers have a special invitation to worship with us.

W. L. ROBERTSON,
Superintendent of Sunday School.
F. C. BARRON, Church clerk.

First Presbyterian Church
(Corner Tenth and Bluff)

This is "Go to Church" Sunday! 9:30 a. m. Sunday School. 11:00 a. m. Morning service. Recognition of new members. 7:30 p. m. Evening service. 3:00 p. m. Children's Meeting. Monday 3:00 p. m. Westminster Guild. Monday 3:00 p. m. Woman's Missioary Society. Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Midweek serice. Thursday 7:30 p. m. Meting at Tyler Street Mission.

J. L. McKEE, Pastor.

Church of Christ

On Bluff betwen Eleventh and Twelfth Bible school 9:30. Morning service 11:00. Evening service 7:30. A very cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these services.

CHARLES BUCHANAN, Pastor.

Fourth Street Baptist Church.

Usual services will be held at the Fourth Street Baptist Church. Preaching Sunday morning and evening by the pastor. Sunday morning service is expected to be one of special importance and a good attendance is urged. A cordial invitation is extended to all to worship with us. A good opportunity for those who want to work.

T. E. CANNEDY, Pastor.

Christian Science.

Services are held in the church edifice, corner Ninth and Lamar as follows: Lesson sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., subject, "Sacrament." Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Testimonial meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m. The reading room at same address is open daily except Sunday and legal holidays from 2 to 5 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the reading room.

M. E. Church, South.

There will be services on the Sabbath as follows: At 9:30 a. m., Sunday school. There were 371 present last Sunday and we are expecting a larger attendance this week. There are classes for children and adults of all ages and a cordial welcome will be extended new members and visitors. Preaching at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor and a hearty invitation is extended to the general public to attend these services. Epworth League at 6:30. Young people will find social and spiritual help at the League service and every one attending will receive a hearty welcome. Prayer-meeting service on Wednesday evening.

A. L. ANDREWS, Pastor.

Christian Church.

Bible school at 9:30. Prayer circle at 9:15. All teachers and officers should be in this beginning service. Ladies Aid Monday afternoon Prayer-meeting Wednesday evening 7:30. Choir rehearsal at 8:30. Endeavor and Intermediates meet at 6:30. Sunday at 10:40 the pastor will begin a series of what he calls "Morning Talks Concerning Spiritual Values." The first being "The Inner Circle." Evening service at 7:30. Sermon topic, "The Night Babylon Fell." All are invited to attend these services.

F. F. WALTERS, Pastor.

First Methodist Episcopal Church

All regular services at the usual hours. Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching morning and evening at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Epworth League at 6:30. Prayer-meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Membership in a church implies responsibility. Every member is a partner and responsible for the success of the enterprise. Therefore we expect every mmber to make an honest effort to attend the services and to further the cause of the church in every legitimate way. We invite strangers and friends of the church and welcome you to our fellowship. We will seek to make the services worth while. Services at Paul's Memorial Chapel Thursday evening, Sunday afternoon and evening. We invite those living in this section of the city to attend.

CHAS. C. SMITH, Pastor.

Lutheran Church (Mo. Synod)

Sunday school (German and English classes) at 9 a. m. German morning worship at 10:30. Bible class at 9:45. There will be no English services in the afternoon as the pastor will be at Henrietta. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to worship with us.

C. M. BEYER, Pastor.

Lutheran Trinity Church.

German morning services at 10 a. m. Sunday school at 11:30 a. m.

F. A. BRACHER, Pastor.

MEXICAN NAVY APPEARS TO BE REMAINING NEUTRAL

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 8.—The Mexican navy or part of it at least, has declared for neutrality, according to dispatches to the Gutierrez agency here which say four gunboats on the Atlantic coast have retired to a quiet cove off Yucatan to await the result of the battle between the factions. Dispatches to the state department however, were interpreted as possibly indicating that part of the navy was preparing to move the seat of the Carranza government from Vera Cruz

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Four excellent single reel pictures are showing here today, "Snakeville's Reform Wave," featuring Sophie Clutts, Victor Potel and Harry Todd, "Countess Sweedie," an Essanay comedy with Wallace Beery, "The Peach on the Beach," a Kalem comedy and "The Fleur De Lis," a Biograph drama featuring Irene Howley.

The Lydia Margaret

Stanley and Sea, musical artists on the bill opening yesterday at the Lydia Margaret, have an act that was most pleasing to the large audience. They are skilled on almost any kind of musical instrument one could mention. The novelty act of the Sidonias received a large measure of applause in their clever sketch, "The Lady Artist and the Tramp." "The Mystery of the Sea View Hotel," a thrilling two-part detective drama is on today's picture program. "The Mystery of the Sea View Hotel" was written especially for Ben Wilson, new Universal star and hero of the well known "Cleek" series of detective plays produced by the Edison company. Mr. Wilson's natural attainments, combined with his experience, qualify him as few are qualified, to produce and act modern detective dramas.

The Empress

The Wichita Quartette, always a feature of the Friday nigh programs of the Empress, has an unusually good program tonight. The pictures include "Another Chance," a Majestic one-reel, a Keystone and "A Crook's Sweetheart" a two part Kaybee, featuring Leona Hutton, Lewis Durham and Gladys Brockwell. The Dip calls on Flora, the pal of Jim Flint, a crook, and begs her to marry him and go away. She refuses. Flint comes to the apartment and finds the "Dip" whom he openly insults. When Flint leaves, the younger man follows him. He finds that he has another sweetheart, Molly Ames; and leading Flora to Molly's house, he convices her that Flint is "not on the square" with her. Flora then agrees to marry the "Dip;" but, before leaving the city, she "gives away" her former pal and Molly Ames to the police. Remorse afterwards prompts her to try to save the young crook. The police get to him ahead of her however. Learning where Flora and the "Dip" are flying, Flint—who has escaped from the deputy after being sentenced to the penitentiary—tries to take revenge. He is on the point of shooting the girl through a window, when he is shot and killed by a policeman.

The Gem

George Morgan, Louise Vale and Phil Robson play leading roles in a two-reel Biograph drama, "The Ticket of Leave Man." Bob Brierly visits London and meets Dalton, a crook who is in league with a counterfeiter named Moss. Bob befriends May Moss a tea garden singer and is caught in the meshes of the law by the cunning Dalton who tricks him into passing counterfeit twenty pound note. Bob is sentenced to serve four years in prison. Three years later discharged on a ticket of leave he secures a position in Gibson's bill-broking office. Dalton and Bob discover where Bob is working and plan to get him again in their clutches. But with the aid of Hawkshaw, the famous detective the crooks are rounded up after many thrilling developments, in which the Biograph players arise to their opportunity.

FIRE LOSS RATIO HEAVIER DURING 1914 THAN IN 1913

Special to The Times.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 8.—Although it will be impossible for many weeks to secure figures showing the fire loss ratio for the State during the past year it is the belief of experts that the ratio will be in excess of that of 1913. There have been several disastrous fires during the recent year and expenses have been unusually heavy on insurance companies.

In 1913 the fire insurance companies made some profit. Premiums amounted to $10,511,855 and losses to $5,237,628. The loss ratio was 49.8 per cent. At a loss ratio of 65 per cent the companies break even, as 35 per cent is figured for underwriting expenses. Some estimates of the loss ratio for 1914 reach 80 per cent.

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Those desiring private lessons may telephone No. 120 during day for appointment. Regular classes will be held Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturday nights.

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BIG IRRIGATION SYSTEM ON RIO GRANDE PLANNED

By Associated Press

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A strong two reel Essany drama "Whatsoever a Woman Soweth," featuring Gerda Holmes, Richard Travers and John Cassar. Tomorrow at the Gem. 6 1tc

J. F. Riggs has had the interior of the building occupied by himself and T. A. Bradley, rearranged to provide more room for their business, the Miller Printing Company moving to that part recently vacated by the Magnolia Petroleum Company.

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"Fatty the Shyster Lawyer," a comedy of merit. At the Gem tomorrow. 6 1tc

Notice to Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wichita State Bank will be held in its offices at Wichita Falls, Texas, January 12th, 1915, same being the second Tuesday in said month, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. 88 tf c

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The Young Ladies Guild of the Episcopal Church will hold a food sale at Miller's Drug Store Saturday, Jan. 9th. 5 2tc

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Notice to the Public

From and after this date the firm of Fowler Bros. & Co., composed of Cell P. Fowler and T. J. Leicham, has been mutually dissolved and parties wishing to see either party of the old firm can find Mr. Fowler at the old office, room 212 K. & K. building and Mr. Leicham at Marion Hotel. Both parties will still be engaged in the Real Estate business. Dated January 5th, 1915.

CELL P. FOWLER,
T. J. LEICHAM

6 1tc.

Notice

This is to notify the whole world that on and after January 5th, 1915, that the business formerly conducted under the firm name of Fowler Bros. & Co., has been dissolved and on and after this date the business will be conducted at the old stand by Cell P. Fowler and all business trusted to me will receive prompt and careful attention, in the real estate and loan business. Mr. R. L. Edwards will have charge of the Insurance and Bonding end of the business and both can be found at Room 212, K. & K. building.

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Notice to Savings Depositors of The First National Bank

January 1st was our quarterly interest figuring period on all savings accounts. We have again credited all accounts with interest at 4 per cent per annum, and customers are requested to present their savings pass book at our window that interest credits may be entered therein. All accrued interest has been entered on our books, but we wish you to present your pass book for same.

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Prof. G. B. Rucker opened his dancing school last night in the old Moose hall, with a considerable class of new students and advanced pupils anxious to learn the newest steps. Following the classes a dance was given which was attended by a large crowd. During the evening Prof. Rucker demonstrated the Castle Walk, the Hesitation Waltz and several other modern

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Go see the Lady Artist and the Tramp tonight. Lydia Margaret Theatre. 6 1tc

T. N. Stubbs, who yesterday pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery and was given a sentence of five years which the jury recommended be suspended is being tried today on another charge of attempting to pass a forged instrument. Stubbs is contesting this charge.

After the adjournment of the district court in a criminal case this afternoon Judge Akin will again hear testimony in the divorce suit of C. O. Jennings vs. Reta Jennings. A night session of court will be held tonight to complete this case, testimony in which has been held at intervals throughout the week.

"CALLING OF DAN MATTHEWS" IS ATTRACTION AT WICHITA

A fair crowd saw the dramatization of Harold Bell Wright's book, "The Calling of Dan Matthews" at the Wichita last night. The production is one of considerable merit and was presented by a caste that included some excellent talent. There are many dramatic situations in the play and it is a production of more than

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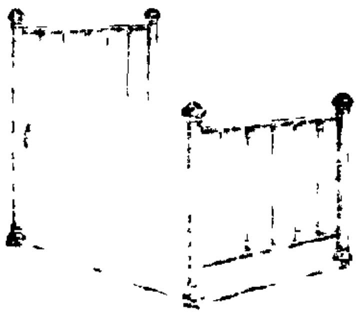

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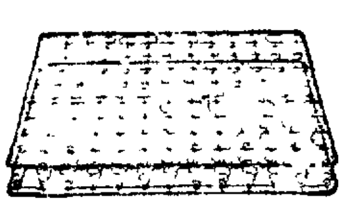

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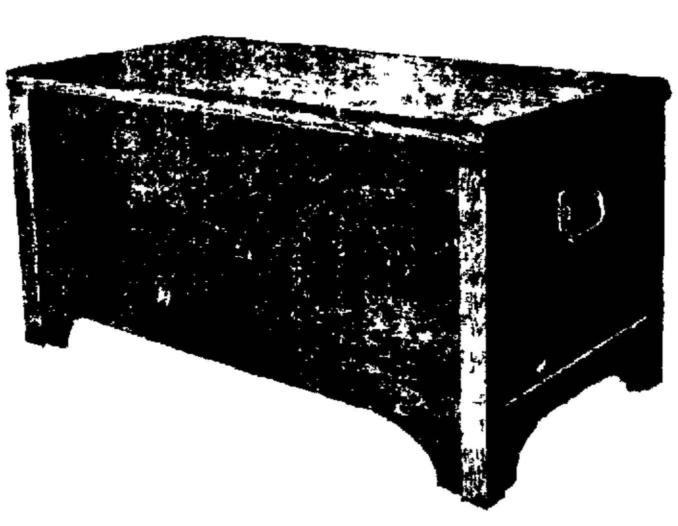

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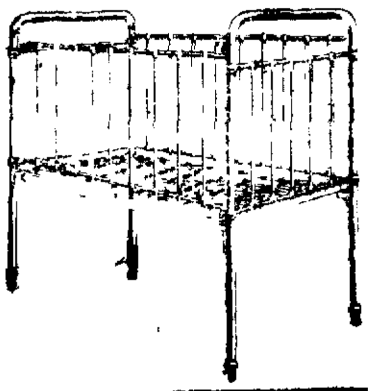

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RENEE BARBELLE sat crouched near the edge of the cliff her back to the sun, her face to the growing darkness of the sky, her hands clasped round her knees. She had deep, keen eyes, beautiful, magic, melancholy and they seemed [illegible] mystery of the deeper purple [illegible]. Her hair [illegible] fallen [illegible] her shoulders [illegible] her face [illegible] [illegible].

A man [illegible] grass [illegible] frowned [illegible] when he saw her. The [illegible] was evident that he expected [illegible] her. He had [illegible] direction when he [illegible] last yards of the cliff [illegible] to the plateau.

He [illegible] Renee [illegible] forward [illegible] approach [illegible] a feline airing.

Renee [illegible] him when he was some yards away but she made no move [illegible] She sat [illegible] passive [illegible] at the sea. She spoke without [illegible] her hands.

"The sea is very still [illegible]" she said. She had [illegible] that and a hint of [illegible]. She frequently spoke [illegible] on one note [illegible] monotonous [illegible] ple out there where the sky [illegible] Jacques."

The man's face changed suddenly [illegible] the first sound [illegible] his smile [illegible] and an angry [illegible]. He clenched his [illegible] lips parted [illegible] of white teeth.

"It is [illegible] Paul [illegible] Jacques."

Renee sat quite [illegible] without [illegible].

"You [illegible] heard [illegible] slowly [illegible] her.

[illegible] Saint Joseph [illegible] on the top of [illegible]. You might have [illegible]. They know [illegible] though he had some difficulty in [illegible].

[illegible] ing himself again she was silent for a few moments before she spoke.

"Why should I inquire?" she asked at length.

"Why? Because you are afraid [illegible]"

"That is not so, Paul Verdeau," she [illegible] now.

"All [illegible] affianced to me Renee. You [illegible] expect it. All my life [illegible] It is your mother's wish. It is my desire. Last week I went aboard the S. Joseph [illegible] You had promised when I returned to give you an answer." Renee interposed hurriedly.

"An answer. You smiled. I [illegible] doubt what [illegible] answer would be [illegible] I was in a transport. [illegible] It was an omen. We [illegible] Cherbourg and sold at [illegible] was an omen. I never [illegible] And every moment I [illegible] of you and happiness, Renee [illegible] for our home and wedding feast [illegible] The word carried us back [illegible] as fast as my heart [illegible] And then [illegible] Renee. I [illegible] she looks for me [illegible] and climb [illegible] up the long dry white road. And call me Jacques. He [illegible] his [illegible] gesticulation [illegible] He spoke earnestly [illegible].

[illegible] hated [illegible] my friend." [illegible] I have [illegible] He tried [illegible].

[illegible] night is coming. Do you see [illegible] light purple mysterious. And [illegible] to your soul. The night is coming."

"Paul [illegible] you [illegible] ever," she asked [illegible] always tried to fully me [illegible] and my mother. But I am [illegible] I love [illegible]."

"It is [illegible] telling to me," he cried passionately. "You have cheated me."

"I have not. You know that you have never really hoped," she answered.

"Before Jacques came?"

"Your friend [illegible]," she interposed. "My friend [illegible]."

He scrutinized [illegible] scoundrel [illegible].

[illegible] answered steadily.

[illegible] she said gravely.

[illegible] for him.

[illegible] sometimes [illegible] now.

[illegible]

"It is my favorite [illegible]"

"I know [illegible] know," he answered. Then he drew his [illegible] the wood of [illegible] the [illegible].

[illegible] red sunset [illegible] and gazed at him intently with her [illegible] green eyes. [illegible] from her [illegible] light. [illegible] sudden [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] which holds [illegible] something that I [illegible].

[illegible] his eyes [illegible] with a red light b[illegible]

[illegible] of my love [illegible] him.

[illegible] dead!" [illegible] she [illegible] of her [illegible].

[illegible] You [illegible] to [illegible].

[illegible] my friend.

He is [illegible]" she [illegible] bemused.

[illegible] I have [illegible] know that.

"You [illegible] utterly."

[illegible] jealous of it. There is [illegible] be said. He moved [illegible] from her. She watched him [illegible] dered and [illegible] she was [illegible] hands.

Paul [illegible] given [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] in [illegible] was [illegible] twilight [illegible] suggested [illegible] was born [illegible] movement [illegible] he sailed [illegible].

[illegible] street of Card [illegible] shop. Paul Verdeau [illegible] slowly but less heavily [illegible] inside. His eyes were [illegible] purpose. The rest [illegible] face was impassive—a [illegible] never [illegible] asked [illegible]

[illegible] ful disconcerting. He slipped one long [illegible] into his pocket [illegible] dragged out a handkerchief and wiped [illegible] lip. Then he opened the little door [illegible] shop and entered.

Jacques Bournais behind the counter stood with his back to the door arching along the bottles.

He looked round at the click of the latch. A big fair man, a man who must have descended from Norman sea-rovers, the [illegible] successor of one who might have [illegible] with Rollo, he seemed out of place in the low-ceilinged shop and the snug, rather ornate clothes he wore. He stared uneasily at Paul and forced a smile.

[illegible] that the Saint Joseph was [illegible]" he said. "You had a [illegible]."

[illegible] that will mean something [illegible] Jacques spoke [illegible] friend in a [illegible] manner.

"Yes." Paul blinked at the shining [illegible] was conscious [illegible] were [illegible] Jacques.

"You look ill my friend," the chemist [illegible] restless gray. "What is the matter?"

"[illegible] is nothing the matter," Paul answered [illegible].

"[illegible] you look as though you had no sleep for nights," Jacques spoke with some sympathy in his voice.

"[illegible] tired," Paul replied. He stared [illegible] fascinated by the brightness of [illegible] Then a sudden intelligence [illegible] into his face; his eyes [illegible] Jacques [illegible] have seen [illegible] It is better now."

[illegible] Paul, Jacques answered.

"If I had a little Laudanum to rub outside. The pain is not bad but it is better to be without altogether." He tried to smile.

"The very thing!" [illegible] Jacques. "Mon Dieu! You [illegible] suffered," he added staring [illegible] friend.

"I have suffered," his friend replied grimly. "I have indeed suffered [illegible] [illegible] creeps into the brain [illegible] and one [illegible]"

[illegible] reached down a bottle and [illegible] into a [illegible] and handed it to Paul [illegible] to his jaws [illegible] Jacques [illegible]

riosity what would be a fatal dose?"

The chemist told him.

"Ah so little! Do I hear a kettle boiling over Jacques? I should like some coffee."

Jacques smiled broadly. He was proud of his coffee and Paul often shared it with him in the inner parlor when the shop was shut.

"I am glad. It will do you good my Paul. You have not sat with me for weeks. It is time to close. Will you shut up as usual while I see to the brew?"

Paul nodded. He had counted upon that. Fate was playing into his hands.

When Jacques had disappeared into the parlor Paul jumped lightly over the counter and dragged the bottle of laudanum from its place on the shelf. Into the medicine glass he poured very carefully the amount Jacques had said would be fatal. His hands trembled and he had to pause once or twice. The light beating upon his forehead glistened upon beads of perspiration. He opened a drawer very cautiously took from it a small empty phial and poured the dose into it. This corked he placed in his breast pocket.

"[illegible] you ready you [illegible] sailor?" [illegible]

"[illegible] nearly very nearly," answered Paul. He closed the door locked it turned out the lights and entered the inner parlor.

Jacques was busy with the steaming coffee. He filled two big cups and pushed one across the table to Paul.

"Sit down," he cried heartily lighting a cigarette. "My friend but you look bad."

"I shall be better soon," Paul answered slowly. "I have no doubt I shall be better soon. Name of a pipe I have no cigarette."

Jacques turned his back to search for a box. He looked for a few moments only, [illegible] a minute fraction of time but it was enough for Paul's purpose. He plucked out the phial and returned it to his pocket empty.

"I have something to say to you Jacques," he said suddenly. "Sit down."

There was something strange in the man's manner. He sat with a hand shading his eyes. The fingers were [illegible] always restless.

"I have come from the cliff down [illegible] road," Paul said. "I have [illegible] Renee. No say nothing Jacques nothing. There is nothing for you to say. It is for me to speak. I congratulate you [illegible] You and she are [illegible] As you know as you know [illegible] [illegible] of my [illegible] you shared them. You were my friend, Jacques—my very good friend. You know, you know very well how I thought of Renee when I was at sea—how I worked for her. Well well—and you made her love you. How very strange the world is. My friend! That is where the strangeness comes. My friend! No say nothing, there is nothing for you to say. And if Renee will not marry me who better to succeed me than my friend?"

Jacques sat paralyzed by the man and coffee. Paul fingered his cup from time to time his fingers twitching, but he did not carry it to his lips.

"I was angry with you. I confess that now. Mon Dieu! I came down the road with heavy hatred in my heart. I saw M. le Cure and I spoke to him, and then to others. I talked to many, choosing them judiciously. I have been busy very busy, Jacques my friend. I have told them how I feared you."

"Feared me!" cried Jacques, half rising.

"Sit down!" shouted Paul, and gulped at his coffee. The sudden shout the sudden fury startled Jacques. He sat down staring across the table with growing horror in his eyes.

"Sit down! My fear of you Jacques. I said that you had stolen my love from me, from me your friend. And that you knew I had made a will in favor of Renee."

"Mon Dieu!" cried Jacques.

"Oh, I made that very clear. I said I had read murder in your eyes!"

"It is a lie!" Jacques shouted.

"It is a lie. I knew it. I acknowledge it. I have no fear of you. But that is what I told them," said that I would burn the will so that there would be no temptation. I burnt it tonight just before I came to you, Jacques. I told them all I should go to Renee tomorrow and tell her that I was afraid to speak to you. That was a clever idea, don't you think it clever?" He finished the coffee in one gulp and sat [illegible] his lips twitching, his eyes [illegible] terrible.

"What do you mean?" whispered Jacques.

"You shall hear. I have been a fool, but you shall judge how little of a fool I am—now. Mon Dieu! I feel—feel sleepy. This room is hot. And your coffee is unusually strong. Listen. [illegible] I tell you, you my friend. I have stolen that is the word stolen—laudanum and put it in my cup of coffee. Do you see? The executioner shall avenge shall avenge."

Jacques stared and stared and stared. He was nerveless. The horror of his position burst upon him. He [illegible] And Paul lay back growing grayer, in his chair.

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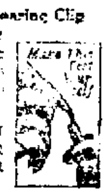

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ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Officers and Deacons For Year Are Elected—Substantial Growth Is Shown

The congregation of the First Baptist Church held its annual business meeting at the church Wednesday evening. The church was found to be in a very prosperous condition and taking the work altogether it has been gratifying to those who have had it in charge. The reports show advancement along all lines. At the meeting Wednesday evening deacons were elected for the coming year and various committees were appointed. The board of deacons, officers and committees are as follows:

Rev. Roscoe C. Miller, pastor; deacons, W. L. Robertson, [illegible] Brooks, W. W. Brown, F. C. P[illegible], W. [illegible] Davis, W. A. Freear, [illegible] A. Fairchild, D. Millsaps, J. [illegible] Burgess, Dr. R. C. Smith, [illegible] Bennett, G. W. Anderson, [illegible] W. Hawthorne, J. M. [illegible] Eichenberger and [illegible] Lawler; church clerk, F. C. Barron; [illegible] secretary, W. F. Miller, treasurer of benevolence, W. W. Brown; treasurer of current expenses, [illegible]; treasurer of charity fund, W. H. Davis; president of Woman's Alliance, Mrs. R. C. Smith; superintendent of Sunday school, W. L. Robertson; superintendent of mission school, G. A. Smoot Jr.; president of B. Y. P. U., Edgar Carney; church chorister, Mrs. F. C. Barron; pianist, [illegible] Ben [illegible] Bell; committees are as follows:

Finances, W. L. Robertson, J. T. Brooks, W. W. Brown, R. C. Huff, C. J. Barnard, J. J. Lory, [illegible] C. Wood, J. C. Mytinger; benevolence, W. W. Brown, J. J. Lory, [illegible] Lawler, Mrs. W. H. Davis, Mrs. [illegible] C. Wood and Mrs. I. A. Farris; [illegible] committee, F. C. Barron, [illegible] Freear, A. B. Maples and W. [illegible] Robertson; trustees, R. E. Huff, [illegible] Lory, and W. L. Robertson; reception, D. [illegible] saas, [illegible] Jackson, [illegible] and W. W. Brown; ushers, R. P. Watts, C. Morris, Ben [illegible] W. Lawler, W. L. Poage and [illegible] Pressley; house committee, J. F. Brooks, G. W. Anderson, C. [illegible] Filgo, Dr. G. W. Johnson and V. M. Henderson; baptismal committee, I. A. Farris, J. M. [illegible] and [illegible] J. Davis.

The church was without a pastor for six months and yet there have been 175 additions. The Sunday school has had splendid growth. The Young People's Society has more than doubled in the last six months. The congregation gave for all purposes during the year $87[illegible]. Of this amount $2286.47 was for missions. Some great plans are laid for the coming year and the spiritual state of the church is good.

MAYOR OF BALLINGER REDUCES HIS OWN SALARY

Ballinger, Texas, Jan. 8.—Mayor J. W. Powell of this city cast the deciding vote in the city council when a motion was before that body providing for the reduction of his salary from $50 to $25 per month. The vote was a tie and the mayor by breaking the tie reduced his own income $300 per year.

No. 489

Official Statement of the Financial condition of the

WICHITA STATE BANK

at Wichita Falls, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31 day of December, 1914, published in the Daily Times, a newspaper printed and published at Wichita Falls, State of Texas, on the 8th day of January, 1915.

Resources

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral		$163,47[illegible].77
Loans, real estate		7,[illegible].65
Overdrafts		6[illegible].08
Bonds and Stocks		20[illegible].17
Real Estate and Fixtures		7,[illegible].66
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	47,307.44	47,307.44
Currency	$8,666.00	
Specie	[illegible].05	11,870.05
Interest in Depository Guaranty Fund		2,304.84
Other Resources as follows:		
Assessment for Guaranty Fund		188.47
Miscellaneous Items for Collection		208.18
Total		$246,29[illegible].27

Liabilities

Capital Stock paid in	$ 50,000.00
Surplus Fund	2,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	1[illegible].07
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	11,5[illegible].26
Individual Deposits subject to check	14[illegible]
Time Certificates of Deposit	14,088.21
Demand Certificates of Deposit	1,8[illegible].75
Cashier's Checks	2,8[illegible].27
Other Liabilities as follows:	
Letters of Credit	200.00
Certified Checks	110.00
Total	$246,293.27

State of Texas, County of Wichita

We, W. R. Ferguson as president and W. W. Gardner as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

W. R. FERGUSON, President.

W. W. GARDNER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, A. D. 1915.

LESTER JONES,

Notary Public, Wichita County, Texas

CORRECT—ATTEST:

W. W. LINVILLE.

[illegible]

RECAPITULATION

Resources

Loans and Discounts	$177,04[illegible].63
Furniture and Fixtures	7,461.66
Guaranty Fund	2,192.31
Cash and Exchange	59,591.67
	$246,29[illegible].27

Liabilities

Capital Stock	$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	15,[illegible].97
Deposits	180,[illegible]
	$246,293.27

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Mr and Mrs I B Craig will leave here on Monday of next week for Alamo, Tenn, to make that place their future home

H. G. Leete, general manager of the Wichita Valley Refining Company at Iowa Park, was here today on business for the refinery

Mrs. W. A Norton and son, Master Morris, left today for Silverton, where Mrs. Norton was called by the serious illness of her sister

Constable Will Allen left this afternoon for Midlothian to see his uncle M H. Allen, who is critically ill. Mr Allen was a resident of Wichita county a number of years ago but for a number of years has been living at Midlothian

H A. Fairchild and family have returned from Decatur, where they went Wednesday with the body of Mrs Fairchild's father, Mr Davis

W. E. Chandler of Kirkland, was a visitor here today He was accompanied back to Kirkland this afternoon by his brother, J R Chandler

W. H. Holder, a former resident of Wichita Falls now on a ranch in South Dakota, near the Black Hills passed through the city today on his way to Electra to visit his daughter Mrs Magee there Mr Holder was called to Texas by the death of his father, A R Holder of Denton His father who had visited his son while the latter lived in Wichita Falls was 8' years of age at his death Mr Holder expects to visit several days in Wichita Falls before returning to South Dakota

H H Davidson, wife and daughter Gertrude, left this afternoon for a visit of several days at Seymour

Judge Decker of Childress, was a visitor here this afternoon

Bob Marlow left this afternoon for Newcastle where he goes to look after the shipments of a carload of mules and horses which he purchased in that section

C. D *Long of Haskell* is in the city on business

W. K Ward of Waxahachie, was a business visitor here today

Ed J Carver is home from Fort Worth, where he has been recently closing up some big cattle deals Mr Carver being a member of the firm of Carver and Russell which this week made sales amounting to nearly half a million dollars

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NATURAL GAS PIPE LINE MAY BE BUILT TO ENNIS

Special to The Times.

Ennis, Texas, Jan 8—It is stated that a proposition will be submitted this city shortly for the construction of a natural gas pipe line from the Mexia gas fields Some Mexia parties are understood to be back of the proposition, which is being favorably considered here

AUTOMOBILE SALESMEN PROVE TO BE ROBBERS

By Associated Press

San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 8—Two crooks who posed as automobile salesmen robbed Henry Tips a business man of Uvalde of $1,000 in currency here last night Tips was induced to take a ride in a new car which he contemplated buying for the robbers explained of trying it out before paying his money Twenty miles from San Antonio Tips suddenly found himself gazing into a muzzle of a pistol. His money was taken from him The highwaymen drove him to a small station on the Southern Pacific railway provided him with funds to pay his fare and instructed him to "beat it back to San Antonio"

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